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FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

5 CFR Part 1650

In-Service Hardship Withdrawals From the Thrift Savings Plan

AGENCY: Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

ACTION: Temporary rule.

SUMMARY: This document contains temporary regulations that lift certain restrictions on financial hardship in-service withdrawals from Federal employees' and uniformed service members' Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) accounts. These temporary regulations are intended to assist TSP participants affected by Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma.

EFFECTIVE DATE: These regulations are effective January 1, 2006, through March 31, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Office of Benefits Services, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, 1250 H Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202-942-1460.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board administers the TSP, which was established by the Federal Employees' Retirement System Act of 1986 (FERSA), Public Law 99-335, 100 Stat. 514. The TSP provisions of FERSA have been codified, as amended, largely at 5 U.S.C. 8351 and 8401-79. The TSP is a tax-deferred retirement savings plan for Federal civilian employees and members of the uniformed services. The TSP is similar to cash or deferred arrangements established for private-sector employees under section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. 401(k)).

The TSP is managed by five part-time Presidentially-appointed Board members and an Executive Director. FERSA gives the Executive Director authority to prescribe regulations

permitting participants to make limited withdrawals from their TSP accounts before they are separated from Government employment. 5 U.S.C. 8433(h)(4). This temporary regulation is based upon that authority and the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(1) and (3).

The TSP's permanent regulations prohibit participants from requesting a financial hardship in-service withdrawal from their accounts if they have received another financial hardship withdrawal within the last six months. In addition, a participant who obtains a financial hardship in-service withdrawal may not contribute to the TSP for a period of six months after the withdrawal is processed.

On October 13, 2005, the TSP published a temporary regulation, 70 FR 59621, deleting these restrictions if the financial need resulted from Hurricane Katrina. The temporary regulation was effective through December 31, 2005. Congress and the Internal Revenue Service have since expanded the tax relief available to hurricane victims to Hurricanes Rita and Wilma. This temporary regulation extends the effective date of the temporary change to TSP regulations from December 31, 2005, to March 31, 2006, and extends its effect to victims of Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

I certify that these regulations will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. They will affect only employees of the Federal government.

Paperwork Reduction Act

I certify that these regulations do not require additional reporting under the criteria of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980.

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995

Pursuant to the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995, 2 U.S.C. 602, 632, 653, 1501-1571, the effects of this regulation on state, local, and tribal governments and the private sector have been assessed. This regulation will not compel the expenditure in any one year of \$100 million or more by state, local, and tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector. Therefore, a statement under § 1532 is not required.

List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 1650

Employee benefit plans, Government employees, Pensions, Retirement.

Gary A. Amelio,

Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

■ For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the Board temporarily amends 5 CFR chapter VI as follows:

PART 1650—METHODS OF WITHDRAWING FUNDS FROM THE THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN

■ 1. The authority citation for part 1650 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 8351, 8433, 8434, 8435, 8474(b)(5), and 8474(c)(1).

■ 2. Amend section 1650.33 by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

§ 1650.33 Contributing to the TSP after an in-service withdrawal.

* * * * *

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (b) of this section, a participant who obtains a financial hardship in-service withdrawal based upon a financial need caused by Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, or Hurricane Wilma, and who is not, at the time of the second hardship withdrawal, making contributions because of a previous financial hardship withdrawal will not have his/her contribution suspension period further extended. The participant may submit a new TSP contribution election to resume contributions any time after expiration of the original six-month contribution suspension period.

■ 3. Amend section 1650.42 by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

§ 1650.42 How to obtain a financial hardship withdrawal.

* * * * *

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (b) of this section, the TSP will accept at any time a financial hardship withdrawal request that is based upon a financial need caused by Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Rita, or Hurricane Wilma. The participant must certify on the application that the financial need is related to a hardship caused by one of the hurricanes: Katrina, Rita, or Wilma.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR Part 39**

[Docket No. FAA-2005-23025; Directorate Identifier 2005-CE-50-AD; Amendment 39-14390; AD 2005-24-10]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; American Champion Aircraft Corporation Models 7AC, 7ACA, S7AC, 7BCM, 7CCM, S7CCM, 7DC, S7DC, 7EC, S7EC, 7ECA, 7FC, 7GC, 7GCA, 7GCAA, 7GCB, 7GCBA, 7GCBC, 7HC, 7JC, 7KC, 7KCAB, 8KCAB, and 8GCBC Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FAA is adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain American Champion Aircraft Corporation (ACAC) Models 7AC, 7ACA, S7AC, 7BCM, 7CCM, S7CCM, 7DC, S7DC, 7EC, S7EC, 7ECA, 7FC, 7GC, 7GCA, 7GCAA, 7GCB, 7GCBA, 7GCBC, 7HC, 7JC, 7KC, 7KCAB, 8KCAB, and 8GCBC airplanes. This AD requires you to make a temporary Pilot's Operating Handbook (POH) limitation entry or install a temporary placard prohibiting aerobatic flight if you operate the airplane before the required inspection of this AD; inspect for incorrect swaging width of the cable Nicopress sleeves on the elevator, rudder, aileron, and flap control cables; replace cables that have incorrect sleeve swage width; remove POH limitation or placard prohibiting aerobatic flight after inspection and replacement of cables with incorrect sleeve swage width; and report any findings of incorrect sleeve swage width to FAA. This AD results from partial loss of aileron control because an incorrectly swaged cable sleeve allowed the cable to slip. We are issuing this AD to detect and correct incorrect swaging widths of the flight control cable Nicopress sleeves, which could result in failure of the elevator, rudder, aileron, and flap controls. This failure could lead to loss of control of the airplane.

DATES: This AD becomes effective on January 17, 2006.

As of January 17, 2006, the Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulation.

We must receive any comments on this AD by February 14, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Use one of the following to submit comments on this AD:

- *DOT Docket Web site:* Go to <http://dms.dot.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.

- *Government-wide rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.

- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590-001.

- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.

- *Hand Delivery:* Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

To get the service information identified in this proposed AD, contact American Champion Aircraft Corporation, P.O. Box 37, 32032 Washington Avenue, Rochester, WI 53167; telephone: (262) 534-6315; internet address: <http://www.amerchampionaircraft.com>.

To view the comments to this AD, go to <http://dms.dot.gov>. The docket number is FAA-2005-23025; Directorate Identifier 2005-CE-50-AD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Wess Rouse, Small Airplane Project Manager, ACE-117C, Chicago Aircraft Certification Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Room 107, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018; telephone: 847-294-8113; facsimile: (847) 294-7834; e-mail: Wess.Rouse@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *What events have caused this AD?* During a flight, the pilot of an ACAC Model 7KCAB noticed partial loss of aileron control and landed at the nearest airport. The Nicopress sleeve on the cable was incorrectly swaged, allowing the cable to slip within the sleeve. A replacement aileron control cable manufactured by ACAC had been installed on the airplane before the occurrence.

What is the potential impact if FAA took no action? Incorrect swaging width of the flight control cable Nicopress sleeves could result in failure of the elevator, rudder, aileron, and/or flap controls. This failure could lead to loss of control of the airplane.

Is there service information that applies to this subject? ACAC issued Service Letter No. 427, Revision B, dated November 29, 2005.

What are the provisions of this service information? The service bulletin includes procedures for:

- Inspecting the flight control cables for correct swaging of the Nicopress sleeves;

- Replacing flight control cables that have incorrect swaging of the Nicopress sleeves; and
- Recording cable inspection with a logbook entry.

FAA's Determination and Requirements of the AD

What has FAA decided? We have evaluated all pertinent information and identified an unsafe condition that is likely to exist or develop on other products of this same type design.

Since the unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop on other ACAC Models 7AC, 7ACA, S7AC, 7BCM, 7CCM, S7CCM, 7DC, S7DC, 7EC, S7EC, 7ECA, 7FC, 7GC, 7GCA, 7GCAA, 7GCB, 7GCBA, 7GCBC, 7HC, 7JC, 7KC, 7KCAB, 8KCAB, and 8GCBC airplanes of the same type design, we are issuing this AD to detect and correct incorrect swaging width of the flight control cable Nicopress sleeves, which could result in failure of the elevator, rudder, aileron, and flap controls. This failure could lead to loss of control of the airplane.

What does this AD require? This AD requires you to make a temporary Pilot's Operating Handbook (POH) limitation entry or install a temporary placard prohibiting aerobatic flight if you operate the airplane before the required inspection of this AD; inspect for incorrect swaging width of the cable Nicopress sleeves on the elevator, rudder, aileron, and flap control cables; replace cables that have incorrect sleeve swage width; remove POH limitation or placard prohibiting aerobatic flight after inspection and replacement of cables with incorrect sleeve swage width; and report any findings of incorrect sleeve swage widths to FAA.

How does the revision to 14 CFR part 39 affect this AD? On July 10, 2002, we published a new version of 14 CFR part 39 (67 FR 47997, July 22, 2002), which governs FAA's AD system. This regulation now includes material that relates to altered products, special flight permits, and alternative methods of compliance. This material previously was included in each individual AD. Since this material is included in 14 CFR part 39, we will not include it in future AD actions.

Comments Invited

Will I have the opportunity to comment before you issue the rule? This AD is a final rule that involves requirements affecting flight safety and was not preceded by notice and an opportunity for public comment; however, we invite you to submit any written relevant data, views, or arguments regarding this AD. Send your

comments to an address listed under **ADDRESSES**. Include "Docket No. FAA-2005-23025; Directorate Identifier 2005-CE-50-AD" in the subject line of your comments. If you want us to acknowledge receipt of your mailed comments, send us a self-addressed, stamped postcard with the docket number written on it; we will date-stamp your postcard and mail it back to you. We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the rule that might suggest a need to modify it. If a person contacts us through a nonwritten communication, and that contact relates to a substantive part of this AD, we will summarize the contact and place the summary in the docket. We will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend the AD in light of those comments.

Authority for This Rulemaking

What authority does FAA have for issuing this rulemaking action? Title 49 of the United States Code specifies the FAA's authority to issue rules on aviation safety. Subtitle I, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority.

We are issuing this rulemaking under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44701, "General requirements." Under that section, Congress charges the FAA with promoting safe flight of civil aircraft in air commerce by prescribing regulations for practices, methods, and procedures the Administrator finds necessary for safety in air commerce. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it addresses an unsafe condition that is likely to exist or develop on products identified in this AD.

Regulatory Findings

Will this AD impact various entities? We have determined that this AD will not have federalism implications under

Executive Order 13132. This AD will not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

Will this AD involve a significant rule or regulatory action? For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this AD:

1. Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866;
2. Is not a "significant rule" under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and
3. Will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

We prepared a summary of the costs to comply with this AD (and other information as included in the Regulatory Evaluation) and placed it in the AD Docket. You may get a copy of this summary by sending a request to us at the address listed under **ADDRESSES**. Include "AD Docket FAA-2005-23025; Directorate Identifier 2005-CE-50-AD" in your request.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

Adoption of the Amendment

■ Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration amends part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

- 1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

- 2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive (AD):

2005-24-10 American Champion Aircraft Corp.: Amendment 39-14390; Docket No. FAA-2005-23025; Directorate Identifier 2005-CE-50-AD.

When Does This AD Become Effective?

- (a) This AD becomes effective on January 17, 2006.

Are Any Other ADs Affected by This Action?

- (b) None.

What Airplanes Are Affected by This AD?

- (c) This AD affects the following airplane models, all serial numbers, that are certificated in any category:

MODELS

- (1) 7ECA, 7GCAA, 7GCBC, 8KCAB, and 8GCBC that:
- (i) were manufactured before August 12, 2005; and
 - (ii) have less than 250 hours time-in-service (TIS).
- (2) 7AC, 7ACA, 7AC, 7BCM, 7CCM, 7CCM, 7DC, 7DC, 7EC, 7EC, 7ECA, 7FC, 7GC, 7GCA, 7GCAA, 7GCB, 7GCBA, 7GCBC, 7HC, 7JC, 7KC, 7KCAB, 8KCAB, and 8GCBC that:
- (i) have installed a flight control cable (or flight control cable included in a wing retrofit kit) that was purchased from American Champion Aircraft Corp. (ACAC) before August 12, 2005; and
 - (ii) have less than 250 hours TIS since the above installation.

What Is the Unsafe Condition Presented in This AD?

(d) This AD is the result of partial loss of aileron control because an incorrectly swaged cable sleeve allowed the cable to slip. We are issuing this AD to detect and correct incorrect swaging width of the flight control cable Nicopress sleeves, which could result in failure of the elevator, rudder, aileron, and flap controls. This failure could lead to loss of control of the airplane.

What Must I Do To Address This Problem?

- (e) To address this problem, you must do the following:

Actions	Compliance	Procedures
<p>(1) If you operate the airplane before the inspection required in paragraph (e)(2) of this AD, do one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Fabricate (using letters at least 1/8-inch in height) a warning placard with the following language and install this placard in the cockpit in full view of the pilot: "Acrobatic flight prohibited!"; or (ii) Add the following statement to the Limitations Section of the Pilots Operating Handbook (POH): "Acrobatic flight prohibited until the inspection and replacement requirements of AD 2005-24-10 are done." To do this, you may insert a copy of this AD into the Limitations Section of the POH. <p>(2) Inspect the Nicopress sleeves on the following flight control cables for the correct width. Each sleeve has three swages or crimps and must not exceed a maximum width of 0.354 inches:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Elevator cables in 6 locations; (ii) Rudder cables in 4 locations; (iii) Aileron cables in 12 locations; and (iv) Flap cables in 6 locations. <p>(3) If you find any flight control cable Nicopress swages of incorrect width during the inspection required in paragraph (e)(2) of this AD, replace the affected cables.</p> <p>(4) If you performed the actions in paragraph (e)(1) of this AD, remove the temporary placard or POH limitation after completing the actions required in paragraphs (e)(2) and (e)(3) of this AD.</p> <p>(5) If you find any flight control cable Nicopress swages of incorrect width during the inspection required in paragraph (e)(2) of this AD, report the findings to FAA. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the information collection requirements contained in this regulation under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. 3501 and those following sections) and assigned OMB Control Number 2120-0056.</p>	<p>Before further flight after January 17, 2006 (the effective date of this AD).</p> <p>Within 25 hours TIS after January 17, 2006 (the effective date of this AD).</p> <p>Within 25 hours TIS after January 17, 2006 (the effective date of this AD).</p> <p>After completing the actions required in paragraphs (e)(2) and (e)(3) of this AD.</p> <p>Within 10 days after the incorrect swage widths are found or within 10 days after January 17, 2006 (the effective date of this AD), whichever occurs later.</p>	<p>No specific procedures are necessary for this action. The owner/operator holding at least a private pilot certificate as authorized by section 43.7 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 43.7) may do the placard or POH requirements. Make an entry into the aircraft records showing compliance with these portions of the AD in accordance with section 43.9 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 43.9).</p> <p>Follow ACAC Service Letter #427, Revision B, dated November 29, 2005.</p> <p>Follow ACAC Service Letter #427, Revision B, dated November 29, 2005.</p> <p>No specific procedures are necessary for this action. The owner/operator holding at least a private pilot certificate as authorized by section 43.7 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 43.7) may do the placard or POH requirements. Make an entry into the aircraft records showing compliance with these portions of the AD in accordance with section 43.9 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 43.9).</p> <p>Include in your report the aircraft model, TIS of the flight control cable Nicopress swage, which cable swage was affected and its location, corrective action taken, and a point of contact name and phone number. Send your report to Wess Rouse, Small Airplane Project Manager, ACE-117C, Chicago Aircraft Certification Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Room 107, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018; facsimile: (847) 294-7834; e-mail: Wess.Rouse@faa.gov.</p>

May I Request an Alternative Method of Compliance?

(f) You may request a different method of compliance or a different compliance time for this AD by following the procedures in 14 CFR 39.19. Unless FAA authorizes otherwise, send your request to your principal inspector. The principal inspector may add comments and will send your request to the Manager, Chicago Aircraft Certification Office, FAA. For information on any already approved alternative methods of compliance, contact Wess Rouse, Small Airplane Project Manager, ACE-117C, Chicago Aircraft Certification Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Room 107, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018; telephone: 847-294-8113; facsimile: (847) 294-7834; e-mail: Wess.Rouse@faa.gov.

Does This AD Incorporate Any Material by Reference?

(g) You must do the actions required by this AD following the instructions in ACAC Service Letter # 427, Revision B, dated November 29, 2005. The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of this service bulletin in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. To get a copy of this service information, contact American Champion Aircraft Corporation, P.O. Box 37, 32032 Washington Avenue, Rochester, WI 53167; telephone: (262) 534-6315; Internet address: www.amerchampionaircraft.com. To review copies of this service information, go to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, go to: http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/

[ibr_locations.html](#) or call (202) 741-6030. To view the AD docket, go to the Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590-001 or on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>. The docket number is FAA-2005-23025; Directorate Identifier 2005-CE-50-AD.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on December 23, 2005.

Kim Smith,

Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR Part 97****[Docket No. 30473; Amdt. No. 3148]****Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, Weather Takeoff Minimums; Miscellaneous Amendments****AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.**ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, addition of new obstacles, or changes in air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

DATES: This rule is effective January 9, 2006. The compliance date for each SIAP and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums is specified in the amendatory provisions.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of January 9, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Availability of matters incorporated by reference in the amendment is as follows:

For Examination—

1. FAA Rules Docket, FAA Headquarters Building, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591;

2. The FAA Regional Office of the region in which the affected airport is located;

3. The National Flight Procedures Office, 6500 South MacArthur Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73169 or,

4. The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202-741-6030, or go to: http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html.

*For Purchase—*Individual SIAP and Weather Takeoff Minimums copies may be obtained from:

1. FAA Public Inquiry Center (APA-200), FAA Headquarters Building, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; or

2. The FAA Regional Office of the region in which the affected airport is located.

*By Subscription—*Copies of all SIAPs and Weather Takeoff Minimums mailed once every 2 weeks, are for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Donald P. Pate, Flight Procedure Standards Branch (AFS-420), Flight Technologies and Programs Division, Flight Standards Service, Federal Aviation Administration, Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center, 6500 South MacArthur Blvd. Oklahoma City, OK 73169 (Mail Address: P.O. Box 25082 Oklahoma City, OK 73125) telephone: (405) 954-4164.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This amendment to Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 97 (14 CFR part 97), establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes SIAPs and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums. The complete regulatory description of each SIAP and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums is contained in official FAA form documents which are incorporated by reference in this amendment under 5 U.S.C. 552(a), 1 CFR part 51, and 14 CFR part 97.20. The applicable FAA Forms are identified as FAA Forms 8260-3, 8260-4, 8260-5 and 8260-15A. Materials incorporated by reference are available for examination or purchase as stated above.

The large number of SIAPs and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums, their complex nature, and the need for a special format make their verbatim publication in the **Federal Register** expensive and impractical. Further, airmen do not use the regulatory text of the SIAPs and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums but refer to their depiction on charts printed by publishers of aeronautical materials. Thus, the advantages of incorporation by reference are realized and publication of the complete description of each SIAP and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums contained in FAA form documents is unnecessary. The provisions of this amendment state the affected CFR sections, with the types and effective dates of the SIAPs and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums. This amendment also identifies the airport, its location, the procedure identification and the amendment number.

The Rule

This amendment to 14 CFR part 97 is effective upon publication of each separate SIAP and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums as contained in the transmittal. Some SIAP and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums amendments may have been previously issued by the FAA in a Flight Data Center (FDC) Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) as an emergency action of immediate flight safety relating directly to published aeronautical charts. The circumstances which created the need for some SIAP, and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums amendments may require making them effective in less than 30 days. For the remaining SIAPs and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums, an effective date at least 30 days after publication is provided.

Further, the SIAPs and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums contained in this amendment are based on the criteria contained in the U.S. Standard for Terminal Instrument Procedures (TERPS). In developing these SIAPs and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums, the TERPS criteria were applied to the conditions existing or anticipated at the affected airports. Because of the close and immediate relationship between these SIAPs and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums and safety in air commerce, I find that notice and public procedure before adopting these SIAPs and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums are impracticable and contrary to the public interest and, where applicable, that good cause exists for making some SIAPs and/or Weather Takeoff Minimums effective in less than 30 days.

Conclusion

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. It, therefore—(1) is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a “significant rule” under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. For the same reason, the FAA certifies that this amendment will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 97

Air Traffic Control, Airports, Incorporation by reference, and Navigation (Air).

Issued in Washington, DC on December 30, 2005.

James J. Ballough,

Director, Flight Standards Service.

Adoption of the Amendment

■ Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, under Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 97 (14 CFR part 97) is amended by establishing, amending, suspending, or revoking Standard Instrument Approach Procedures and Weather Takeoff Minimums effective at 0901 UTC on the dates specified, as follows:

PART 97—STANDARD INSTRUMENT APPROACH PROCEDURES

■ 1. The authority citation for part 97 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40106, 40113, 40114, 40120, 44502, 44514, 44701, 44719, 44721–44722.

■ 2. Part 97 is amended to read as follows:

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 Jacksonville, TX, Cherokee County, Takeoff Minimums and Textual DP, Orig
 Wichita Falls, TX, Wichita Valley, VOR-B, Amdt 6
 Ogden, UT, Ogden-Hinckley, RNAV (GPS) Z RWY 3, Orig-A
 Richlands, VA, Tazewell County, RNAV (GPS) RWY 25, Orig

Richlands, VA, Tazewell County, GPS RWY 25, Orig, CANCELLED

* * * Effective 16 March 2006

Fort Worth, TX, Fort Worth Meacham Intl, ILS OR LOC RWY 16, Amdt 8

Fort Worth, TX, Fort Worth Meacham Intl, ILS OR LOC RWY 34, Amdt 2

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 635

[I.D. 010406B]

Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Temporary rule; inseason retention limit adjustment.

SUMMARY: NMFS has determined that the Atlantic bluefin tuna (BFT) General category daily retention limit for five previously designated restricted fishing days (RFD) should be adjusted. These General category RFDs are being waived to provide reasonable opportunity for utilization of the coastwide General category BFT quota. Therefore, NMFS waives five RFDs scheduled for January 2006, and increases the daily retention limit from zero to two large medium or

giant BFT on these previously designated RFDs.

DATES: Effective dates for BFT daily retention limits are provided in Table 1 under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brad McHale, 978-281-9260.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulations implemented under the authority of the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act (16 U.S.C. 971 *et seq.*) and the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act; 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*) governing the harvest of BFT by persons and vessels subject to U.S. jurisdiction are found at 50 CFR part 635. The 2005 BFT fishing year began on June 1, 2005, and ends May 31, 2006. The final initial 2005 BFT specifications and General category effort controls (June 7, 2005; 70 FR 33033) established the following RFD schedule for the 2005 fishing year: All Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from November 18, 2005, through January 31, 2006, and Thursday, November 24, 2005, inclusive, provided quota remained available and the fishery was open. RFDs are intended to extend the General category BFT fishery late into the southern Atlantic season. NMFS has determined that the BFT General category daily retention limit for five of the previously designated RFDs should be adjusted as described in Table 1 to provide reasonable opportunity to utilize the coastwide General category BFT quota.

TABLE 1. EFFECTIVE DATES FOR RETENTION LIMIT ADJUSTMENTS

Permit Category	Effective Dates	Area	BFT Size Class Limit
Atlantic tunas General and HMS Charter/Headboat (while fishing commercially)	January 7 - 8, 2006, and January 13 - 15, 2006	All	Two BFT per vessel per day/trip, measuring 73 inches (185 cm) CFL or larger

Adjustment of General Category Daily Retention Limits

Under 50 CFR 635.23(a)(4), NMFS may increase or decrease the General category daily retention limit of large medium and giant BFT over a range from zero (on RFDs) to a maximum of three per vessel to allow for maximum utilization of the quota for BFT. NMFS has taken multiple actions during the 2005 fishing year in an attempt to allow for maximum utilization of the General category BFT quota. On September 28, 2005 (70 FR 56595), NMFS adjusted the commercial daily BFT retention limit (on non-RFDs), in all areas, for those vessels fishing under the General category quota, to two large medium or

giant BFT, measuring 73 inches (185 cm) or greater curved fork length (CFL), per vessel per day/trip, effective through January 31, 2006, inclusive, provided quota remained available and the fishery remained open. On November 9, 2005 (70 FR 67929), NMFS waived the previously designated RFDs for the month of November and adjusted the daily retention limit on those RFDs to two large medium or giant BFT. On December 16, 2005 (70 FR 74712), NMFS waived previously designated RFDs for December 16-18, inclusive, and adjusted the daily retention limit on those RFDs to two large medium or giant BFT to provide reasonable opportunity to harvest the coastwide quota. On January 4, 2006 (71 FR 273),

NMFS waived previously designated RFDs for December 31, 2005, and January 1, 2006, inclusive, and adjusted the daily retention limit on those RFDs to two large medium or giant BFT to provide reasonable opportunity to harvest the coastwide quota.

On December 7, 2005 (70 FR 72724), NMFS adjusted the General category quota by conducting a 200 mt inseason quota transfer to the Reserve category, resulting in an adjusted General category quota of 708.3 mt. This action was taken to account for any potential overharvests that may occur in the Angling category during the 2005 fishing year (June 1, 2005 through May 31, 2006) and to ensure that U.S. BFT

harvest is consistent with international and domestic mandates.

Catch rates in the BFT General category fishery have generally been low, the average catch rate for December 2005 was approximately 3.0 mt/day. Based on a review of dealer reports, daily landing trends, available quota, weather conditions, and the availability of BFT on the fishing grounds, NMFS has determined that waiving five RFDs established for January 7, 8, 13, 14, and 15, 2006, and increasing the General category daily BFT retention limit on those RFDs is warranted to assist the fishery in accessing the available quota. Therefore, NMFS adjusts the General category daily BFT retention limits for January 7, 8, 13, 14, and 15, 2006, inclusive, to two large medium or giant BFT per vessel.

NMFS recognizes that although catch rates have continued to be low so far this season, they may increase rapidly, and to ensure equitable fishing opportunities in all areas and provide opportunities for a late winter General category BFT fishery, NMFS needs to carefully monitor and manage this fishery. Conversely, if catch rates continue to be low, some or all of the remaining previously scheduled RFDs may be waived as well.

The intent of this current adjustment is to provide reasonable opportunity to utilize landings quota of BFT while maintaining an equitable distribution of fishing opportunities to help achieve optimum yield in the General category BFT fishery, to collect a broad range of data for stock monitoring purposes, and to be consistent with the objectives of the HMS FMP.

Monitoring and Reporting

NMFS selected the RFDs being waived after examining current fishing year catch and effort rates, previous

fishing years' catch and effort rates, predicted weather patterns over the next week, and the available quota for the 2005 fishing year. NMFS will continue to monitor the BFT fishery closely through dealer landing reports. Depending on the level of fishing effort and catch rates of BFT, NMFS may determine that additional retention limit adjustments are necessary to ensure available quota is not exceeded or, to enhance scientific data collection from, and fishing opportunities in, all geographic areas.

Closures or subsequent adjustments to the daily retention limits, if any, will be published in the **Federal Register**. In addition, fishermen may call the Atlantic Tunas Information Line at (888) 872-8862 or (978) 281-9260, or access the Internet at www.nmfspermits.com for updates on quota monitoring and retention limit adjustments.

Classification

The Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA (AA), finds that it is impracticable and contrary to the public interest to provide prior notice of, and an opportunity for, public comment on this action.

The regulations implementing the 1999 Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for Atlantic Tunas, Swordfish, and Sharks provide for inseason retention limit adjustments to respond to the unpredictable nature of BFT availability on the fishing grounds, the migratory nature of this species, and the regional variations in the BFT fishery. New information shows that landing rates are low and predicted weather conditions are unfavorable for the upcoming open fishing days. Based on a review of recent information regarding the availability of BFT on the fishing grounds, dealer reports, daily landing trends, available quota, and weather

conditions, NMFS has determined that this retention limit adjustment is warranted to increase access to available quota.

Delays in waiving the selected RFDs, and thereby increasing the General category daily retention limit, would be contrary to the public interest. Such delays would adversely affect those General category vessels that would otherwise have an opportunity to harvest BFT on an RFD and would further exacerbate the problem of low catch rates. Limited opportunities to access the General category quota may have negative social and economic impacts to U.S. fishermen that depend on catching the available quota. For the General category, waiving of the selected RFDs needs to be done as expeditiously as possible for the General category participants to be able to use the waived RFDs to take advantage of the adjusted retention limits and plan accordingly.

Therefore, the AA finds good cause under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B) to waive prior notice and the opportunity for public comment. For all of the above reasons, and because this action relieves a restriction (i.e., waives a number of RFDs, thus increasing the opportunity to retain more fish), there is also good cause under 5 U.S.C. 553(d) to waive the 30-day delay in effectiveness.

This action is being taken under 50 CFR 635.23(a)(4) and is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 971 *et seq.* and 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: January 4, 2006.

Alan D. Risenhoover,
Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2005-23436; Airspace Docket No. 05-ASO-10]

RIN 2120-AA66

Proposed Establishment of Area Navigation Instrument Flight Rules Terminal Transition Route (RITTR) T-210; Jacksonville, FL

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This action proposes to establish an Area Navigation Instrument Flight Rules Terminal Transition Route (RITTR), designated T-210, in the Jacksonville, FL, terminal area. The purpose of RITTR is to expedite the handling of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) overflight aircraft through busy terminal airspace areas. The FAA is proposing this action to enhance the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace in the Jacksonville, FL, terminal area.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 23, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on this proposal to the Docket Management System, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room Plaza 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You must identify FAA Docket No. FAA-2005-23436 and Airspace Docket No. 05-ASO-10, at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit comments through the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Gallant, Airspace and Rules, Office of System Operations Airspace and AIM, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267-8783.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

Interested parties are invited to participate in this proposed rulemaking by submitting such written data, views, or arguments, as they may desire. Comments that provide the factual basis supporting the views and suggestions presented are particularly helpful in developing reasoned regulatory decisions on the proposal. Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, aeronautical, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the proposal.

Communications should identify both docket numbers (FAA Docket No. FAA-2005-23436 and Airspace Docket No. 05-ASO-10) and be submitted in triplicate to the Docket Management System (see **ADDRESSES** section for address and phone number). You may also submit comments through the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this action must submit with those comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to FAA Docket No. FAA-2005-23436 and Airspace Docket No. 05-ASO-10." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter.

All communications received on or before the specified closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this action may be changed in light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the public docket both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

Availability of NPRMs

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded through the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Recently published rulemaking documents can also be accessed through the FAA's Web page at <http://www.faa.gov>, or the Federal Register's Web page at <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/index.html>.

You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office (see **ADDRESSES** section for address and

phone number) between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the office of the Regional Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, 1701 Columbia Ave., College Park, GA 30337.

Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRMs should contact the FAA's Office of Rulemaking, (202) 267-9677, for a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11-2A, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Distribution System, which describes the application procedure.

Background

On July 1, 2005, the FAA published in the **Federal Register** a notice proposing to establish a number of RITTRs in the Jacksonville, FL, terminal area (70 FR 38053). Route T-210 was included in that proposal. Later, the FAA determined that T-210 required further modification and decided not to implement T-210 in the final rule (70 FR 66251). The FAA indicated in the rule that T-210 would be addressed through separate rulemaking action at a later date. This NPRM initiates action to establish T-210.

The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 to establish RITTR T-210 in the Jacksonville, FL, terminal area. The route would be depicted on the appropriate IFR Enroute Low Altitude charts. RITTRs are low altitude Air Traffic Service routes, similar to VOR Federal airways, but based on Global Navigation Satellite System navigation. RNAV-equipped aircraft capable of filing flight plan equipment suffix "G" may file for these routes.

This proposed action would enhance safety and facilitate more flexible and efficient use of the navigable airspace for en route IFR aircraft transitioning through the Jacksonville, FL, terminal area.

The FAA has determined that this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this proposed regulation: (1) Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under Department of Transportation (DOT) Regulatory

Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this proposed rule, when promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

T-210 BRADO, FL to Taylor, FL [New]

BRADO, FL
OHLEE, FL
Taylor, FL (TAY)

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Edith V. Parish,

Manager, Airspace and Rules.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2005-23424; Airspace Docket No. 05-AEA-23]

RIN 2120-AA66

Proposed Establishment of VOR Federal Airway V-623; NJ and NY

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This action proposes to establish Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range (VOR) Federal Airway V-623 between the Sparta, NJ, Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range Tactical Air Navigation (VORTAC) and the Carmel, NY, Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range/Distance Measuring Equipment (VOR/DME). The purpose of the proposed airway is to enhance the management of air traffic transiting from the New England area to airports in the Newark, NJ, area.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 23, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on this proposal to the Docket Management System, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room Plaza 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC

The Proposed Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389.

WP	(Lat. 29°55'22" N., long. 81°28'08" W.)
WP	(Lat. 30°16'00" N., long. 82°06'34" W.)
VORTAC	(Lat. 30°30'17" N., long. 82°33'10" W.)

20590-0001. You must identify FAA Docket No. FAA-2005-23424 and Airspace Docket No. 05-AEA-23, at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit comments through the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Gallant, Airspace and Rules, Office of System Operations Airspace and AIM, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267-8783.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

Interested parties are invited to participate in this proposed rulemaking by submitting such written data, views, or arguments, as they may desire. Comments that provide the factual basis supporting the views and suggestions presented are particularly helpful in developing reasoned regulatory decisions on the proposal. Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, aeronautical, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the proposal.

Communications should identify both docket numbers (FAA Docket No. FAA-2005-23424 and Airspace Docket No. 05-AEA-23) and be submitted in triplicate to the Docket Management System (see **ADDRESSES** section for address and phone number). You may also submit comments through the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this action must submit with those comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to FAA Docket No. FAA-2005-23424 and Airspace Docket No. 05-AEA-23." The

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of FAA Order 7400.9N, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 2005, and effective September 15, 2005, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6011—Area Navigation Routes

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postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter.

All communications received on or before the specified closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this action may be changed in light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the public docket both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

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Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRMs should contact the FAA's Office of Rulemaking, (202) 267-9677, for a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11-2A, Notice of Proposed

Rulemaking Distribution System, which describes the application procedure.

Background

On February 7, 2005, the FAA published in the **Federal Register** a final rule establishing V-623 (70 FR 6336). However, navigation aid signal coverage problems were identified, which could not be resolved, so the FAA revoked the airway on June 3, 2005 (70 FR 32484). Subsequently, a segment of the airway was redesigned along a satisfactory navigation aid radial. Therefore, the FAA is again proposing to establish V-623.

The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 to establish V-623 between the Sparta, NJ, VORTAC and the Carmel, NY, VOR/DME. The proposed airway is needed to enhance the management of air traffic transiting from the New England area to airports in the Newark, NJ, area.

The FAA has determined that this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this proposed regulation: (1) Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under Department of Transportation (DOT) Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this proposed rule, when promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

The Proposed Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of FAA Order 7400.9N, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 2005, and effective September 15, 2005, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6010(a)—Domestic VOR Federal Airways

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V-623 [New]

From Sparta, NJ; INT Sparta, NJ 060°(M) 047°(T) and Carmel 275°(M) 263°(T) radials; Carmel.

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Edith V. Parish,

Manager, Airspace and Rules.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 866

[Docket No. 2005N-0471]

Immunology and Microbiology Devices; Reclassification of Herpes Simplex Virus (Types 1 and/or 2) Serological Assays

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is proposing to reclassify herpes simplex virus (HSV) (types 1 and/or 2) serological assays from class III (premarket approval) to class II (special controls). HSV serological assays (types 1 and/or 2) are intended for testing specimens from individuals who have signs and symptoms of infection consistent with HSV 1 and/or 2 or for determining if an individual has been previously infected with HSV 1 and/or 2, as well as for providing epidemiological information about these infections. The detection of HSV antibodies, in conjunction with other clinical laboratory findings, aids in the clinical laboratory diagnosis of an infection by HSV 1 and/or 2. FDA is proposing this reclassification on its own initiative based on new information. Elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**, FDA is announcing the availability of a draft

guidance document that would serve as the special control, if FDA reclassifies this device.

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments by April 10, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. 2005N-0471, by any of the following methods:

Electronic Submissions

Submit electronic comments in the following ways:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- Agency Web site: <http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the agency Web site.

Written Submissions

Submit written submissions in the following ways:

- FAX: 301-827-6870.
- Mail/Hand delivery/Courier (For paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions): Division of Dockets Management (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

To ensure more timely processing of comments, FDA is no longer accepting comments submitted to the agency by e-mail. FDA encourages you to continue to submit electronic comments by using the Federal eRulemaking Portal or the agency Web site, as described in the *Electronic Submissions* portion of this paragraph.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number and regulatory information number (RIN) (if a RIN number has been assigned) for this rulemaking. All comments received may be posted without change to <http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets/default.htm>, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the "Comments" heading of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets/default.htm> and insert the docket number(s), found in brackets in the heading of this document, into the "Search" box and follow the prompts and/or go to the Division of Dockets Management, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sally Hojvat, Center for Devices and Radiological Health (HFZ-440), Food and Drug Administration, 2098 Gaither

Rd., Rockville, MD 20850, 240-276-0496 x114.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

A. Regulatory Authorities

The Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 301 *et seq.*), as amended by the Medical Device Amendments of 1976 (the 1976 amendments) (Public Law 94-295), the Safe Medical Devices Act of 1990 (SMDA) (Public Law 101-629), the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997 (FDAMA) (Public Law 105-115), and the Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act (Public Law 107-250), established a comprehensive system for the regulation of medical devices intended for human use. Section 513 of the act (21 U.S.C. 360c) established three categories (classes) of devices, defined by the regulatory controls needed to provide reasonable assurance of their safety and effectiveness. The three categories of devices are class I (general controls), class II (special controls), and class III (premarket approval).

Under the 1976 amendments, class II devices were defined as devices for which there was insufficient information to show that general controls themselves would provide reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness, but for which there was sufficient information to establish performance standards to provide such assurance. SMDA broadened the definition of class II devices to mean those devices for which the general controls by themselves are insufficient to provide reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness, but for which there is sufficient information to establish special controls to provide such assurance, including performance standards, postmarket surveillance, patient registries, development and dissemination of guidelines, recommendations, and any other appropriate actions the agency deems necessary (section 513(a)(1)(B) of the act).

Under section 513 of the act, FDA refers to devices that were in commercial distribution before May 28, 1976 (the date of enactment of the 1976 amendments), as preamendments devices. FDA classifies these devices after it takes the following steps: (1) Receives a recommendation from a device classification panel (an FDA advisory committee); (2) publishes the panel's recommendation for comment, along with a proposed regulation classifying the device; and (3) publishes a final regulation classifying the device.

FDA has classified most preamendments devices under these procedures.

Devices that were not in commercial distribution before May 28, 1976, generally referred to as postamendments devices, are classified automatically by statute (section 513(f) of the act) into class III without any FDA rulemaking process. Those devices remain in class III and require premarket approval until FDA does the following: (1) Reclassifies the device into class I or II; (2) issues an order classifying the device into class I or II in accordance with section 513(f)(2) of the act, as amended by FDAMA; or (3) issues an order finding the device to be substantially equivalent, under section 513(i) of the act, to a legally marketed device that has been classified into class I or class II. The agency determines whether new devices are substantially equivalent to previously marketed devices by means of premarket notification procedures in section 510(k) of the act (21 U.S.C. 360(k)) and 21 CFR part 807.

A person may market a preamendments device that has been classified into class III through premarket notification procedures, without submission of a premarket approval application (PMA), until FDA issues a final regulation under section 515(b) of the act (21 U.S.C. 360e(b)) requiring premarket approval.

Section 513(e) of the act governs reclassification of classified devices. This section provides that FDA may, by rulemaking, reclassify a device based upon "new information." FDA can initiate a reclassification under section 513(e) of the act or an interested person may petition FDA to reclassify a preamendments device. The term "new information," as used in section 513(e) of the act, includes information developed as a result of a reevaluation of the data before the agency when the device was originally classified, as well as information not presented, not available, or not developed at that time (see, e.g., *Holland Rantos v. United States Department of Health, Education, and Welfare*, 587 F.2d 1173, 1174 n.1 (D.C. Cir. 1978); *Upjohn v. Finch*, 422 F.2d 944 (6th Cir. 1970); *Bell v. Goddard*, 366 F.2d 177 (7th Cir. 1966)).

Reevaluation of the data previously before the agency is an appropriate basis for subsequent regulatory action where the reevaluation is made in light of newly available regulatory authority (see *Bell v. Goddard*, supra, 366 F.2d at 181; *Ethicon, Inc. v. FDA*, 762 F.Supp. 382, 389-91 (D.D.C. 1991)), or in light of changes in "medical science" (see *Upjohn v. Finch*, supra, 422 F.2d at 951). Whether data before the agency are

past or new, the "new information" to support reclassification under section 513(e) of the act must be "valid scientific evidence," as defined in section 513(a)(3) of the act and 21 CFR 860.7(c)(2) (see, e.g., *General Medical Co. v. FDA*, 770 F.2d 214 (D.C. Cir. 1985); *Contact Lens Assoc. v. FDA*, 766 F.2d 592 (D.C. Cir.), cert. denied, 474 U.S. 1062 (1985)).

FDA relies upon valid scientific evidence in the classification process to determine the level of regulation for devices. To be considered in the reclassification process, the valid scientific evidence upon which the agency relies must be publicly available. Publicly available information excludes trade secret and/or confidential commercial information, e.g., the contents of a pending PMA (see section 520(c) of the act (21 U.S.C. 360j(c))).

FDAMA added section 510(m) to the act that provides that a class II device may be exempted from the premarket notification requirements under section 510(k) of the act if the agency determines that premarket notification is not necessary to assure the safety and effectiveness of the device.

B. Regulatory History of the Device

In the **Federal Register** of April 22, 1980 (45 FR 27258), FDA published a proposed rule to classify the preamendment HSV serological reagents into class II. FDA received three comments on the proposal. All three comments expressed concern about the health of newborn infants, specifically regarding risks associated with infection with HSV. Two comments requested that FDA apply class III controls to this device because of these risks to health and because medical practitioners would rely on the accuracy of the test results to make important clinical decisions, such as whether or not to perform a cesarean section delivery of an infant. The third comment urged that, before performance standards are established, clinical data be obtained that compare the sensitivity and specificity of HSV serological reagents with the accuracy of diagnosis of the infection by viral culture.

A final rule classifying HSV devices into class III published in the **Federal Register** of November 9, 1982 (47 FR 50814). The agency determined that class III was appropriate because the device presented a potential unreasonable risk of illness or injury because failure to accurately identify the virus or its antibodies may result in a serious risk to the health of the newborn infant. In addition, inaccurate results may cause a practitioner to perform an unnecessary cesarean section delivery of

an infant that may result in a serious risk to the health of the mother. The agency decided that until standards were established, clinical data should be obtained that compare the sensitivity and specificity of HSV serological reagents with the accuracy of diagnosis of the infection by viral culture. At that time, FDA believed there were insufficient data to establish a standard to provide reasonable assurance of the safety and effectiveness of the device. FDA also changed the scope of the classification to reflect a revised panel recommendation and comments received in response to the proposed rule. The final rule classified direct fluorescent antibody reagents, as well as all reagents employed in more recently developed laboratory methods (e.g., enzyme immunoassays) of testing for HSV antibodies in patients' serum, into class III.

In the **Federal Register** of August 14, 1995 (60 FR 41984 and 60 FR 41986), FDA published two orders for certain class III devices requiring the submission of safety and effectiveness information in accordance with the Preamendments Class III Strategy for implementing section 515(i) of the act. Each of the orders described in detail the format for submitting the type of information required by section 515(i) of the act so that the information submitted would clearly support reclassification or indicate that a device should remain in class III. The orders also scheduled the required submissions in groups of nine devices at 6-month intervals beginning August 14, 1996. The August 14, 1995, orders included the device proposed for reclassification in this proposed rule. In response, 11 manufacturers, in 16 submissions, submitted information supporting FDA reclassification of the device from class III to class II.

In accordance with sections 513(e) of the act and 21 CFR 860.130(b)(1), based on new information with respect to the device, FDA, on its own initiative, is now proposing to reclassify this device from class III to class II when HSV 1 and/or 2 assays are used for the following purposes: (1) Testing specimens from individuals who have signs and symptoms of infection consistent with HSV 1 and/or 2, (2) determining if an individual has been previously infected with HSV 1 and/or 2, or (3) providing epidemiological information about these infections. Additionally, FDA is proposing to modify the description of the device to clarify terminology.

C. Device Description

HSV serological assays are devices that consist of antigens and antisera used in various serological tests to identify antibodies to HSV in serum. Additionally, some of the assays consist of HSV antisera conjugated with a fluorescent dye (immunofluorescent assays) used to identify HSV directly from clinical specimens or tissue culture isolates derived from clinical specimens. The identification aids in the diagnosis of diseases caused by HSV and provides epidemiological information on these diseases. HSV infections range from common and mild lesions of the skin and mucous membranes to a severe form of encephalitis (inflammation of the brain). Neonatal herpes virus infections range from mild infection to severe generalized disease with a fatal outcome.

Currently marketed HSV 1 and/or 2 serological assays are usually based on manual enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay, enzyme immunoassay, immunofluorescence assay, or enzyme-linked virus induction assay. FDA has also approved a test based on a chemiluminescent enzyme immunoassay. Serological assays typically rely on specific binding of specimen antibodies to a fixed HSV antigen, which is then detected by a labeled secondary (anti-IgM or anti-IgG) antibody. Serum and plasma are the common matrices for currently marketed tests for detecting HSV 1 and/or 2 antibodies. Antigen detection assays rely on specific binding of labeled antibodies to an HSV antigen, which is then detected by a reader or immunofluorescent microscope.

II. Proposed Rule

FDA is proposing to reclassify HSV (types 1 and/or 2) serological assays from class III to class II (special controls). These devices are used for testing specimens from individuals who have signs and symptoms of infection caused by HSV 1 and/or 2, determining if an individual has been previously infected with HSV 1 and/or 2, or providing epidemiological information about these infections. FDA believes that class II with a special controls guidance document will provide reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness. FDA has considered HSV (types 1 and/or 2) serological assays in accordance with section 510(m) of the act and determined that the device does need premarket notification to assure the safety and effectiveness of HSV (types 1 and/or 2) serological assays.

HSV serological assays of types other than type 1 and/or 2 will remain in class III. HSV nucleic acid amplification assays are not within the device types classified in 21 CFR 866.3305.

FDA is also proposing to modify the description of the device by replacing the word "reagents" with the word "assays" to differentiate serological assays from replacement reagents and analyte-specific reagents.

III. Risks to Health

After considering the information received from the 11 manufacturers, the published literature, FDA's experience with HSV 1 and/or 2 serological assays, and the medical device reports filed on HSV 1 and/or 2 serological assays, FDA has determined that failure of HSV 1 and/or 2 serological assays to perform as indicated, or an error in interpretation of results, may lead to improper patient management. False positive results may subject pregnant women or a newborn to unnecessary treatment with antiviral drugs, which could place both the mother and the fetus/infant at risk, or it may lead to an unnecessary cesarean delivery of the fetus. False positive results may also lead to potentially toxic therapy in immunocompromised patients who may be at risk for reactivation of latent herpes virus infection and/or disseminated HSV infection. False negative results in pregnant women may lead to neonatal transmission of a primary herpes infection during vaginal delivery, which may result in life-threatening conditions such as encephalitis. False negative results in pretransplant and/or immunocompromised populations could falsely identify transplant donors, which could lead to the transplant of herpes positive organs to nonimmune patients.

IV. Summary of Reasons for Reclassification

FDA believes that HSV 1 and/or 2 serological assays should be reclassified into class II because special controls, in addition to general controls, can provide reasonable assurance of the safety and effectiveness of the device, and there is now sufficient information to establish special controls. FDA review of performance characteristics will provide reasonable assurance that acceptable levels of performance for both safety and effectiveness are addressed before marketing clearance.

V. Summary of Data Upon Which the Reclassification Is Based

The effectiveness of HSV 1 and/or 2 serological assays has been well-established over the past 25 years. The

sensitivities of these tests for detection of HSV antibodies vary from 80 percent to 98 percent and the specificities of these assays are usually greater than or equal to 95 percent. Technological improvements have increased the reliability and performance of these devices for clinical sensitivity and specificity. Further information on the performance of these assays has been established by comparison with a masked, characterized serum panel obtained from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Based on the available information, FDA believes that the special control discussed in section VI of this document is capable of providing reasonable assurance of the safety and effectiveness of HSV (types 1 and/or 2) serological assays with regard to the identified risks to health of this device.

VI. Special Controls

FDA believes that, in addition to general controls, the class II special control guidance document entitled "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Herpes Simplex Virus Type 1 and 2 Serological Assays" is adequate to control the risks to health described in section III of this document. The class II special controls draft guidance provides information on how to meet premarket notification requirements for the assays in sections that discuss performance characteristics and labeling. The performance characteristics section describes studies integral to the demonstration of appropriate performance and, in this way, controls against assays that may fail to meet current standards. The labeling section addresses factors such as directions for use, quality control, and precautions for use and interpretation, which will help mitigate errors in the interpretation of results. FDA tentatively believes that complying with the act and following the recommendations in the draft special controls guidance document will provide reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness of these devices and adequately address the risks to health identified in section III of this document.

Elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**, FDA is announcing the availability of a draft guidance document that would serve as the special control, if FDA reclassifies these devices. If implemented, following the effective date of a final rule classifying the devices, any firm submitting a premarket notification under section 510(k) of the act for these devices would need to address the issues covered in the class II special controls guidance

document. However, the firm need only show that its device meets the recommendations of the guidance document or in some other way provides equivalent assurances of safety and effectiveness.

VII. Environmental Impact

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.34(b) that this action is of a type that does not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

VIII. Analysis of Impacts

FDA has examined the impacts of the proposed rule under Executive Order 12866 and the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612), and the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–4). Executive Order 12866 directs agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, when regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety, and other advantages; distributive impacts; and equity). The agency believes that this proposed rule is not a significant regulatory action as defined by the Executive order.

The Regulatory Flexibility Act requires agencies to analyze regulatory options that would minimize any significant impact of a rule on small entities. Because classification of this device into class II will relieve manufacturers of the device of the cost of complying with the premarket approval requirements of section 515 of the act, and may permit small potential competitors to enter the marketplace by lowering their costs, the agency certifies that the proposed rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Section 202(a) of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 requires that agencies prepare a written statement, which includes an assessment of anticipated costs and benefits, before proposing "any rule that includes any Federal mandate that may result in the expenditure by State, local, and tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100,000,000 or more (adjusted annually for inflation) in any one year." The current threshold after adjustment for inflation is \$115 million, using the most current (2003) Implicit Price Deflator for the Gross Domestic Product. FDA does not expect this proposed rule to result in any 1-year expenditure that would meet or exceed this amount.

IX. Federalism

FDA has analyzed this proposed rule in accordance with the principles set forth in Executive Order 13132. FDA has determined that the proposed rule does not contain policies that have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the National Government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Accordingly, the agency has concluded that the rule does not contain policies that have federalism implications as defined in the Executive order and, consequently, a federalism summary impact statement is not required.

X. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

FDA tentatively concludes that this proposed rule contains no collections of information. Therefore, clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520) is not required.

FDA also tentatively concludes that the special controls guidance document identified by this proposed rule does not contain new information collection provisions that are subject to review and clearance by OMB under the PRA. Elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**, FDA is publishing a notice announcing the availability of the draft guidance document entitled "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Herpes Simplex Virus Type 1 and 2 Serological Assays"; the notice contains an analysis of the paperwork burden for the draft guidance.

XI. Comments

Interested persons may submit to the Division of Dockets Management Branch (see **ADDRESSES**) written or electronic comments regarding this document. Submit a single copy of electronic comments or two paper copies of any mailed comment, except that individuals may submit one paper copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Received comments may be seen in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 866

Biologics, laboratories, medical devices.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, it is proposed that 21 CFR part 866 be amended as follows:

PART 866—IMMUNOLOGY AND MICROBIOLOGY DEVICES

1. The authority citation for 21 CFR part 866 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 351, 360, 360c, 360e, 360j, 371.

2. Section 866.3305 is revised to read as follows:

§ 866.3305 Herpes simplex virus serological assays.

(a) *Identification.* Herpes simplex virus serological assays are devices that consist of antigens and antisera used in various serological tests to identify antibodies to herpes simplex virus in serum. Additionally, some of the assays consist of herpes simplex virus antisera conjugated with a fluorescent dye (immunofluorescent assays) used to identify herpes simplex virus directly from clinical specimens or tissue culture isolates derived from clinical specimens. The identification aids in the diagnosis of diseases caused by herpes simplex viruses and provides epidemiological information on these diseases. Herpes simplex viral infections range from common and mild lesions of the skin and mucous membranes to a severe form of encephalitis (inflammation of the brain). Neonatal herpes virus infections range from a mild infection to a severe

generalized disease with a fatal outcome.

(b) *Classification.* (1) Class II (special controls). The device is classified as class II if the herpes simplex virus serological assay is type 1 and/or 2. The special control for the device is FDA’s guidance document entitled “Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Herpes Simplex Virus Type 1 and 2 Serological Assays.” For availability of the guidance document, see § 866.1(e).

(2) Class III (premarket approval). The device is classified as class III if the herpes simplex virus serological assay is a type other than type 1 and/or 2.

(c) *Date PMA or notice of completion of a PDP is required.* No effective date has been established for the requirement for premarket approval for the devices described in paragraph (b)(2) of this section. See § 866.3.

Dated: December 21, 2005.

Linda S. Kahan,

Deputy Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 63

[EPA–HQ–OAR–2002–0051; FRL–8020–2]

RIN 2060–AJ78

National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants From the Portland Cement Manufacturing Industry

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of public comment period and announcement of a public hearing.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing that the comment period on the proposed amendments to National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants From the Portland Cement Manufacturing Industry, published on December 2, 2005, is being extended until February 23, 2006, and that a public hearing on the proposed amendments will be held on January 24, 2006.

DATES: *Comments.* The comment period has been extended from January 17, 2006. Comments must now be received on or before February 23, 2006.

Public Hearing. A public hearing is scheduled for January 24, 2006, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: *Comments.* Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0051, by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- E-mail: a-and-r-docket@epa.gov, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0051.

- Fax: (202) 566-1741, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0051.

- Mail: U.S. Postal Service, send comments to: EPA Docket Center (6102T), Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0051, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. Please include a total of two copies.

- Hand Delivery: In person or by courier, deliver comments to: EPA Docket Center (6102T), Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0051, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room B-108, Washington, DC 20004. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. Please include a total of two copies.

Instructions. Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0051. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be confidential business information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. Send or

deliver information identified as CBI to only the following address: Mr. Roberto Morales, OAQPS Document Control Officer, EPA (C404-02), Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0051, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through <http://www.regulations.gov>, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

Docket. All documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either

electronically in <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at the EPA Docket Center, Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0051, EPA West Building, Room B-102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the EPA Docket Center is (202) 566-1742. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying docket materials.

Public Hearing. The public hearing will be held on January 24, 2006, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the EPA Facility Complex at 109 T.W. Alexander Drive in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. Persons interested in presenting oral testimony should contact Ms. Janet Eck, EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Emission Standards Division, Coatings and Consumer Products Group (C539-03), Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone (919) 541-7946.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Keith Barnett, EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Emission Standards Division, Minerals and Inorganic Chemicals Group (C504-05), Research Triangle Park, NC 27711; telephone number (919) 541-5605; facsimile number (919) 541-5600; e-mail address barnett.keith@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulated Entities. Entities potentially affected by the proposed amendments to the national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAP) for the manufacturing of portland cement are those that manufacture portland cement. Regulated categories and entities include:

TABLE 1.—REGULATED ENTITIES TABLE

Category	NAICS ¹	Examples of regulated entities
Industry	32731 ..	Owners or operators of portland cement manufacturing plants.
State	32731 ..	Owners or operators of portland cement manufacturing plants.
Tribal Associations	32731 ..	Owners or operators of portland cement manufacturing plants.
Federal Agencies	²	None.

¹ North American Industry Classification System.

² None.

This table is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be regulated by this action. This table lists the types of entities that may potentially be regulated by this action. To determine whether your facility is regulated by this action, you should carefully examine the applicability

criteria in 40 CFR 63.1340 of the rule. If you have questions regarding the applicability of the proposed amendments to a particular entity, consult the person listed in the preceding **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Submitting CBI. Do not submit this information through <http://www.regulations.gov>

or e-mail. Send or deliver information identified as CBI only to the following address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document. Clearly mark the part or all the information you claim to be CBI. For CBI information submitted on a disk or CD-ROM that you mail to EPA, mark the outside of the disk or CD-ROM as

CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD-ROM the specific information that is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket.

Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

Worldwide Web (WWW). In addition to being available in the docket, an electronic copy of today's proposal will also be available through the WWW. Following the Administrator's signature, a copy of this action will be posted on EPA's Technology Transfer Network (TTN) policy and guidance page for

newly proposed or promulgated rules at <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/>. The TTN at EPA's Web site provides information and technology exchange in various areas of air pollution control.

Comment Period

We received a request to move the date for a public hearing on the proposed amendments to the NESHAP for portland cement manufacturing (70 FR 72330, December 2, 2005) from mid-December 2005 to January 24, 2006. We agreed to this request and are extending the comment period until 30 days after the public hearing. Therefore, the public comment period will now end on February 23, 2006, rather than January 17, 2006.

How Can I Get Copies of the Proposed Amendments and Other Related Information?

EPA has established the official public docket for the proposed rulemaking under docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0051. Information on how to access the docket is presented above in the **ADDRESSES** section. In addition, information may be obtained from the Web page for the proposed rulemaking at: <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/pcem/pcemprg.html>.

Dated: January 3, 2006.

William L. Wehrum,

Acting Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.

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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Notice Seeking Public Input on ACHP Formal Comments Regarding the Replacement of Microwave Communications System in Mount Graham, AZ

AGENCY: Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

ACTION: Notice Seeking Public Input on ACHP Formal Comments Regarding the Replacement of a Microwave Communications System in Mount Graham, Arizona.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation will be accepting public comments in preparation for issuing formal comments, under the National Historic Preservation Act, to the United States Forest Service regarding its intent to issue a special use permit for the replacement of a microwave communications system in Mount Graham, Arizona.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 13, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments to John L. Nau, III, Chairman, c/o Stephen Del Sordo, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Suite 809, Washington, DC 20004. Fax (202) 606-8672. Comments may also be submitted by electronic mail to: sdelsordo@achp.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen Del Sordo, (202) 606-8580. E-mail: sdelsordo@achp.gov. Further information may be found in the ACHP Web site: <http://www.achp.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) is an independent Federal agency, established by the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), that promotes the preservation, enhancement, and productive use of our Nation's historic resources, and advises the President and Congress on national

historic preservation policy. Among other things, the ACHP issues formal comments to Federal agencies per section 106 of the NHPA.

Section 106 of the NHPA requires Federal agencies to take into account the effects of their undertakings on historic properties and afford the ACHP a reasonable opportunity to comment on such undertakings. The procedures in 36 CFR part 800 define how Federal agencies meet these statutory responsibilities.

When a Federal agency is unable to reach an agreement to avoid, minimize or mitigate the adverse effects of its undertaking, it must seek the formal comments from the ACHP. 36 CFR 800.7.

On December 5, 2005, the ACHP received a letter from the United States Forest Service (FS), informing the ACHP that the FS has terminated the consultation towards reaching such an agreement with regard to the undertaking described below, and has requested the formal comments of the ACHP. This notice seeks public input on the ACHP formal comments that will be sent to the FS.

Undertaking Summary

The University of Arizona (UA) has been working to establish the Mount Graham International Observatory (MGIO) since the early 1980s. Passage of the Arizona-Idaho Conservation Act (AICA) in 1988 instructed the Forest Service (FS) to issue a special use permit for the MGIO and permitted the construction of the MGIO on 8.6 acres within the Coronado National Forest in southern Arizona. AICA authorized the construction of at least three, but not more than seven, telescopes within the compound, along with necessary support facilities. At the present time, the MGIO consists of the Vatican Observatory Telescope (VOT) and the Hertz Submillimeter Telescope (HST).

A Large Binocular Telescope (LBT) is due to be activated within the next year. In anticipation of the activation of the LBT, the UA, in September 2003, asked the FS to amend the existing special use permit to construct an improved microwave communications tower. At that time, the proposed tower was to be located outside the MGIO compound. Based on a variety of issues, among them were tribal concerns, the UA, in August 2004, changed the proposed location to one inside the MGIO

Compound. Once the new tower is installed, the existing microwave communications tower will be removed. The construction of the new microwave communications tower is the undertaking that has been the subject of section 106 review and will be the subject of the ACHP formal comments.

Affected Historic Properties

Mount Graham is sacred to the Western Apache tribes and one of four such mountains in Apache cultural tradition. The tribes believe that the mountain, known as Dzil ncha si 'an, is home to the "gaan" or mountain spirits, source of sacred powers, and a place of prayer and traditional practices. In addition, the mountain is a source of plants and other materials used in Apache traditional practices and ceremonies. Following a formal request from the FS in 2002, the National Park Service determined that the Mount Graham Traditional Cultural Property (MGTCP) was eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, and therefore a "historic property" under the scope of the section 106 review process.

History of Consultation

At first the FS determined that the new tower would have no adverse effect on the MGTCP. However, the tribes objected, arguing that the MGIO complex and the metal of the buildings and support structures, to include the proposed metal monopole, interfere with their prayers on the mountain and diminish their ability to communicate through prayer. Accordingly, in September 2004, the FS reversed its decision and determined that the new tower would have an adverse effect. The FS therefore invited the Arizona State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), UA, the San Carlos Apache Tribe, the White Mountain Apache Tribe, the Yavapi Apache Tribe, Apache Survival Coalition, and the ACHP to consult to attempt to reach a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) which would include measures to mitigate the adverse effects.

The first meeting to discuss the various options for the microwave tower was held in December 2004. Further meetings were held among the consulting parties, but little progress was made. The last consultation meeting was held in June 2005. While it was then agreed that tribal representatives would provide

mitigation language for the MOA and that the parties would meet in August to review a revised MOA, such a meeting was never held. In early August, the FS chose to sign a slightly revised MOA, secured the signature of UA, and then, in a letter dated August 8, 2005, asked the other consulting parties to sign the MOA. Arguing that FS had violated an agreed upon approach, the tribes refused to sign the MOA. The ACHP provided the FS some recommended language for the MOA that included the use of a laminated wood pole, consultation protocols for projects at Mount Graham, and a management plan for the mountain, but those recommendations were not accepted.

As stated above, on a letter received by the ACHP in December 5, the FS notified the ACHP of its decision to terminate consultation and seek the formal comments from the ACHP.

Again, the ACHP seeks public input on those formal comments that ACHP will send to FS.

Dated: January 4, 2006.

John M. Fowler,
Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Approval of Continued Information Collection for Forest Land Enhancement Program

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Forest Service announces its intent to seek approval to extend an information collection to implement the Forest Land Enhancement Program. This information collection consists of 7 components: (1) Forest Land Enhancement Program State priority plans; (2) State program accomplishment reports; (3) landowner management plans; (4) applications for cost-share payments; (5) program assignment of payment; (6) Power of Attorney forms; and (7) Internal Revenue Service (IRS) income reporting requirements for participants.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before March 10, 2006.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be addressed to: Cooperative Forestry Staff, Forest Service, USDA, Stop Code 1123,

1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-1123.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hal Brockman, Cooperative Forestry Staff at (202) 205-1694.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Forest Service is seeking to extend a currently approved information collection to implement the landowner assistance program authorized through the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002. The first two components, State Priority Plans and State Accomplishments Reports, are necessary for the Forest Service to manage the Forest Land Enhancement Program (Program), which, by law, is implemented through State forestry agencies. The third component, Management Plans, will be used by State forestry agencies to assure landowner eligibility for the Program.

The remainder of the information (Application for Cost-Share Payments, Assignment of Payment, Power of Attorney 1, Power of Attorney 2, and Payment Limitation Requirements) will be collected from landowners requesting cost-share funds. Only the first component is mandatory for all applicants. In all States and participating Territories, this information or similar information will be collected through State-managed or State-contracted services.

For the purposes of the Program, the term "State" includes any of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands of the United States, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Data gathered in this information collection is not available from other sources.

Description of Information Collections

Title: Forest Land Enhancement Program.

OMB Number: 0596-0168.

Type of request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: This collection comprises 7 components.

First is the State priority plan which describes how the Program will be implemented in each State. Plans describe (1) how this program complements other USDA programs; (2) the distribution of available funding for administration, resource management expertise/technical assistance, education, and cost-share; (3) how cost-share funds shall be made available to eligible participants; (4) ownership and acreage limitations; (5) defines and describes a management plan (which is

required if a landowner is to receive cost-share assistance for practice implementation); (6) landowner cost-share payment limitations; (7) eligible cost-share practices; (8) how funds may be distributed to participants; and (9) program application and reimbursement processes.

Estimate of burden: 284 hours.

Type of respondents: Plans are prepared by State forestry staff with input from members of State Forest Stewardship Coordination Committees which include representatives of Federal and State agencies, private landowners, and forestry/conservation organizations.

Estimated number of responses per respondent: 1 plan per State.

Estimated total burden on respondents: 16,756 hours.

Second is the State Program accomplishment reports which provide statistics on various aspects of program implementation such as the number of acres and ownerships treated, numbers of technical site visits provided, and numbers of workshops held.

Estimate of burden: 40.6 hours.

Type of respondents: Accomplishments reports are prepared by State forestry staff.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 2 per State.

Estimated total burden on respondents: 4,791 hours.

Third is the landowner management plan that is typically prepared by a State forestry agency (or a certified forestry consultant hired by a State forestry agency) with input from the forest owner. The plan lays out management objectives for the forest or stand in question.

Estimate of burden: 4 hours.

Type of respondents: Non-industrial private forest owners.

Estimated number of respondents: 8,300.

Estimated number of responses per respondent: 1 per plan.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 33,200 hours.

Fourth is information collected from landowners applying for cost-share payments as well as from State forestry personnel and used to track the implementation of cost-share practices. The information is used to describe the practice to be cost-shared, record the estimated timing of practice completion, verify practice completion, determine landowner eligibility, identify the location of the property, record the cost-share amount approved, and several other administrative aspects of program management. Landowners provide signatures to verify that they have covered a specified cost of the practice.

The landowner also signs a statement agreeing to refund all or part of the cost-share assistance received if, before the specified practice lifespan, the landowner destroys the approved practice, or voluntarily relinquishes control over the land and the new owner or operator of the land does not agree in writing to maintain the practice properly for the remainder of the lifespan.

Estimate of burden: 15 minutes.

Type of respondents: Non-industrial private forest owners.

Estimated number of respondents: 8,300.

Estimated number of responses per respondent: 1.5 per participant.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 3113 hours.

Fifth is information collected to assign cost-share payment to a third party at the request of a program participant. Information collected includes the payment amount assigned, and the names, addresses, and signatures of assignor and assignee.

Estimate of burden: 10 minutes.

Type of respondents: Non-industrial private forest owners.

Estimated number of respondents: 8,300.

Estimated number of responses per respondent: 1 per assignment.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 1383 hours.

Sixth is information used to appoint power of attorney for the landowner. The landowner indicates whether power of attorney is being granted for (1) all actions; (2) the signing of an application; (3) the receiving of payments; (4) pledge of agreements; (5) the making of reports; or (6) other. It includes signatures by the landowner and witnesses.

Estimate of burden: 5 minutes.

Type of respondents: Non-industrial private forest owners.

Estimated number of respondents: 8,300.

Estimated number of responses per respondent: 1 per request.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 692 hours.

Another power of attorney is provided for participants who are husband and wife and who wish to assign each other power of attorney. It includes signatures by the husband and wife.

Estimate of burden: 5 minutes.

Type of respondents: Non-industrial private forest owners.

Estimated number of respondents: 8,300.

Estimated number of responses per respondent: 1 per request.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 692 hours.

Seventh is information used to review payment limitation requirements and assure that landowners do not exceed any annual or life-of-program caps. The same information is used to meet IRS income reporting requirements. Program participants provide their name and address, entity identification number, and date the entity formed. They indicate the type of entity (e.g. whether an individual, irrevocable trust, revocable trust, corporation, limited partnership, general partnership, joint venture, estate, or other). Participants also list all stockholders, members, heirs, or beneficiaries having an interest in the entity.

Estimate of burden: 25 minutes.

Type of respondents: Non-industrial private forest owners.

Estimated number of respondents: 8,300.

Estimated number of responses per respondent: 1.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 3,458 hours.

Comment Is Invited

The agency invites comments on the following: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Use of Comments

All comments received in response to this notice, including name and address when provided, will become a matter of public record. Comments received in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request to Office of Management and Budget for approval.

Dated: December 27, 2005.

Robin L. Thompson,

Associate Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Lower Tucannon Ecosystem Management Project, Umatilla National Forest, Columbia County, WA

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Cancellation notice.

SUMMARY: On July 9, 2003, a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Lower Tucannon Ecosystem Management Project on the Pomeroy Ranger District of the Umatilla National Forest, was published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 40900). The Forest Service has decided to cancel the preparation of this EIS. The NOI is hereby rescinded.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions maybe addressed to Dean Millett, Timber Management Assistant, Pomeroy Ranger District, 71 West Main Street, Pomeroy, WA 99374, telephone 509-843-1891.

Dated: January 3, 2006.

Kevin Martin,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Siskiyou County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Siskiyou County Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Yreka, California, January 16, 2006. The meeting will include routine business and the review and recommendation for implementation of submitted project proposals.

DATES: The meeting will be held January 16, 2006, from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Yreka High School Library, Preece Way, Yreka, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Talley, RAC Coordinator, Klamath National Forest, (530) 841-4423 or electronically at rtalley@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Public comment opportunity will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Committee at that time.

Dated: January 3, 2006.

Margaret J. Boland,

Designated Federal Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Glen/Colusa County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Glenn/Colusa County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in Willows, California. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Introductions, (2) Approval of Minutes, (3) Public Comment, (4) Web site Update, (5) How to Solicit Projects, (6) General Discussion, (7) Next Agenda.

DATES: The meeting will be held on January 23, 2006, from 1:30 p.m. and end at approximately 4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Mendocino National Forest Supervisor's Office, 825 N. Humboldt Ave., Willows, CA 95988. Individuals wishing to speak or propose agenda items must send their names and proposals to Jim Giachino, DFO, 825 N. Humboldt Ave., Willows, CA 95988.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bobbin Gaddini, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Mendocino National Forest, Grindstone Ranger District, 825 N. Humboldt Ave., Willows, CA 95939. (530) 934-1268; e-mail ggaddini@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Committee members. However, persons who wish to bring matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals who made written requests by January 20, 2006 will have the opportunity to address the committee at those sessions.

Dated: January 3, 2006.

James F. Giachino,

Designated Federal Official.

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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, January 11, 2006 3 p.m.-5 p.m.

PLACE: Middle East Broadcasting Networks, Inc., 7600 Boston Blvd., Suite D, Springfield, VA 22153.

CLOSED MEETING: The members of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) will meet in closed session to review and discuss a number of issues relating to U.S. Government-funded non-military international broadcasting. They will address internal procedural, budgetary, and personnel issues, as well as sensitive foreign policy issues relating to potential options in the U.S. international broadcasting field. This meeting is closed because if open it likely would either disclose matters that would be properly classified to be kept secret in the interest of foreign policy under the appropriate executive order (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(1)) or would disclose information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(9)(B)). In addition, part of the discussion will relate solely to the internal personnel and organizational issues of the BBG or the International Broadcasting Bureau. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(2) and (6)).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact Carol Booker at (202) 203-4545.

Dated: January 3, 2006.

Carol Booker,

Legal Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

[991215339-6001-19]

Solicitation of Proposals for the University Center Economic Development Program

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration (EDA), Department of Commerce (DOC)

ACTION: Notice and request for proposals.

SUMMARY: EDA is soliciting proposals for FY 2006 University Center Program funding in the areas served by its Atlanta and Seattle regional offices. EDA's mission is to lead the federal economic development agenda by

promoting innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy. Institutions of higher education have many assets, such as faculty, staff, libraries, laboratories, and computer systems, which can help to address local economic problems and opportunities. With funding from EDA, institutions of higher education establish and operate University Centers, which provide technical assistance to public and private sector organizations with the goal of enhancing local economic development. EDA has traditionally renewed an award to a University Center on an annual basis, as long as it maintained a satisfactory level of performance and Congress appropriated funds for EDA's Local and National Technical Assistance Programs. In FY 2004, EDA began a phased implementation of a three-year competitive grant cycle for all University Center projects, beginning with those in its Austin and Denver regional offices. In FY 2005, with the competition announced in this notice for University Center projects in the areas served by EDA's Atlanta and Seattle regional offices, EDA is completing the phased implementation of competition for University Center Program funding.

DATES: Proposals must be received by the appropriate EDA regional office by February 21, 2006 at 4 p.m. local time. EDA's Atlanta and Seattle regional offices will each hold a teleconference to answer questions about the FY 2006 competition for University Center funding on January 19, 2006 and January 23, 2006, respectively. For further information and instructions regarding these teleconferences, please see the information provided below under "Teleconferences."

ADDRESSES: From proponents in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee: University Center Program Competition, Economic Development Administration, Atlanta Regional Office, 401 West Peachtree Street, NW., Suite 1820, Atlanta, Georgia 30308.

From proponents in Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, California, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nevada, Northern Mariana Islands, Oregon, Republic of Palau and Washington: University Center Program Competition, Economic Development Administration, Seattle Regional Office, Federal Jackson Building, Room 1856, 915 Second Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98174.

For a copy of the Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) announcement for this request for proposals, please see the Web site listed below under "Electronic Access."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or for a paper copy of the FFO announcement, contact the appropriate EDA regional office listed above. EDA's Internet Web site at <http://www.eda.gov> contains additional information on EDA and its University Center Program.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access: EDA is not currently able to accept electronic submissions of proposal packages. However, the FFO announcement for the FY 2006 University Center Program competition is available through Grants.gov at <http://www.grants.gov>. Additional information is available through EDA's Internet Web site at <http://www.eda.gov>.

Funding Availability: Funding appropriated under the FY 2006 Science, State, Justice, Commerce and Related Agencies Appropriations Act (Pub. L. 109-108) (2006 Appropriations Act) is available for technical assistance programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3121 *et seq.*), as amended by the Economic Development Administration Reauthorization Act of 2004 (Pub. L. 108-373) (PWEDA). Funds in the amount of \$8,215,711 have been appropriated for FY 2006 and shall remain available until expended.

EDA expects to allocate approximately \$6,839,529 to the University Center Program and the remaining funds to EDA's Local and National Technical Assistance Programs. The amount of University Center funding available for competition in FY 2006 is expected to be approximately \$1,426,223 in the Atlanta regional office and approximately \$1,324,444 in the Seattle regional office. Anticipated annual awards for University Centers under the FY 2006 competition are in the \$125,000 to \$150,000 range in the Atlanta regional office, and in the \$100,000 to \$215,000 range in the Seattle regional office. Regional offices may, however, choose to fund proposals under this competition outside these ranges. The remaining FY 2006 program funds will be used to continue support for current University Centers. Subject to the availability of funding, the funds made available under the University Center Program are anticipated to be available until expended.

Statutory Authority: The authority for the University Center Program is

PWEDA. On August 11, 2005, EDA published an interim final rule (70 FR 47002) to reflect the amendments made to EDA's authorizing statute by the Economic Development Administration Reauthorization Act of 2004 (Pub. L. 108-373). The interim final rule became effective on October 1, 2005. You may access the interim final rule and PWEDA on EDA's Internet Web site at <http://www.eda.gov>. EDA's public comment period for the interim final rule ran from August 11, 2005 to November 14, 2005. On December 15, 2005, EDA published an interim final rule (70 FR 74193; 70 FR 74196) to effect only those changes to the August 11, 2005 interim final rule specified in the Conference Report accompanying the 2006 Appropriations Act. EDA will consider and respond to comments received during the public comment period and will make additional revisions to the August 11, 2005 interim final rule in publishing a final rule during 2006.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 11.303, Economic Development—Technical Assistance.

Eligibility: For the University Center Program, EDA considers all accredited institutions of higher education as eligible applicants.

For FY 2006, the University Center competition is open to eligible applicants in areas served by EDA's Atlanta and Seattle regional offices. The Atlanta regional office serves Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee. The Seattle regional office serves Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, California, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nevada, Northern Mariana Islands, Oregon, Republic of Palau and Washington.

Cost Sharing Requirements: Generally, the amount of the EDA grant may not exceed fifty (50) percent of the total cost of the project. Projects may receive an additional amount that shall not exceed thirty (30) percent, based on the relative needs of the region in which the project will be located, as determined by EDA. See Section 204(a) of PWEDA (42 U.S.C. 3144) and Section 301.4(b)(1) of the interim final rule. For projects of a national scope under part 306 of the interim final rule (Training, Research and Technical Assistance), and for all other projects under part 306 of the interim final rule, after the application of the first two (2) sentences of this paragraph, the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development has the discretion to establish a maximum EDA investment

rate of up to one-hundred (100) percent where the project (i) merits and is not otherwise feasible without an increase to the EDA investment rate; or (ii) will be of no or only incidental benefit to the recipient. See Section 204(c)(3) of PWEDA (42 U.S.C. 3144) and Section 301.4(b)(4) of the interim final rule. Potential applicants should contact the appropriate EDA regional office to make this determination.

While cash contributions are preferred, in-kind contributions, fairly evaluated by EDA, may include assumptions of debt and contributions of space, equipment, and services and may provide the non-Federal share of the total project cost. See Section 204(b) of PWEDA (42 U.S.C. 3144). In-kind contributions must be eligible project costs and meet applicable Federal cost principles and uniform administrative requirements. Funds from other Federal financial assistance awards are not considered matching share funds. The nature of contribution (cash or in-kind) and the amount of matching share funds will be taken into consideration in the proposal review process. Cash contributions are preferred.

Intergovernmental Review: Applications under the University Center Program are subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

Evaluation and Selection Procedures: EDA's Atlanta and Seattle regional offices will conduct an initial administrative and technical review of each proposal package to determine its completeness and compliance with the requirements of this solicitation.

EDA's Atlanta and Seattle regional offices will then conduct an internal review of each proposal meeting the requirements of this solicitation. This review will be conducted by a minimum of three (3) EDA staff using the criteria provided under "Evaluation Criteria" below. Successful proponents under this competition solicitation will be invited to submit a complete application by the Atlanta regional office or the Seattle regional office.

Evaluation Criteria: The following University Center-specific investment policy guidelines have been adapted from the investment policy guidelines set forth in Section 301.8 of the interim final rule. EDA investments in proposed University Centers will be competitively rated and ranked on their ability to satisfy one or more of these University Center-specific investment policy guidelines (each criterion will be given equivalent weight).

1. *Be market-based and results driven.* An investment in an EDA University Center will capitalize on the university's

competitive strengths and will bolster regional economic competitiveness, resulting in tangible, quantifiable improvements in regional economic health, such as increased numbers of higher-skill, higher-wage jobs, increased tax revenue or increased private sector investment.

2. *Have strong organizational leadership.* An investment will have strong leadership, relevant project management experience, and a significant commitment of human resources talent to ensure a high-performing University Center. Specifically for University Center investments, this includes: (a) The extent to which the proposed University Center will maximize coordination with other relevant organizations and avoid duplication of services offered by other organizations; (b) the extent to which the University Center will access, take advantage of, and be supported by the other resources present at the sponsoring institution, especially the institution's economic development activities; and (c) the degree of evidence demonstrating the support and commitment (both financial and non-financial) of the highest management levels of the proposed University Center's sponsoring institution.

3. *Advance productivity, innovation and entrepreneurship.* An investment in a proposed University Center will embrace the principles of entrepreneurship; enhance regional industry clusters, and leverage and link technology innovators (university research) with the private sector to create the conditions for greater productivity, innovation and higher-skill, higher-wage job creation.

4. *Look beyond the immediate economic horizon, anticipate economic changes, and diversify the local and regional economy.* A University Center's activities will be part of an overarching, long-term comprehensive economic development strategy that enhances a region's success in achieving a rising standard of living.

5. *Demonstrate a high degree of local commitment by exhibiting:*

- High levels of local government or non-profit matching funds and private sector leverage;
- Clear and unified leadership and support by local elected officials; and
- Strong cooperation between the business sector, relevant regional partners and local, State and Federal governments.

In making its recommendations on which institutions should be invited to submit a full application, the EDA review team will strive to avoid the

concentration of program funding in a single or very limited number of geographic areas. For that reason, EDA cannot predict a minimum ranking of a successful proposal.

Selection Factors: EDA expects to fund the highest ranking proposals submitted under this competition solicitation. However, EDA may select proposals out of order for several reasons, including: (1) Availability of funding; (2) geographic balance in distribution of funds; (3) program priorities and policy factors as set forth in the FFO announcement; or (4) the applicant's performance under previous awards.

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements, published in the **Federal Register** on December 30, 2004 (69 FR 78389), are applicable to this solicitation.

Teleconferences

EDA's Atlanta and Seattle regional offices will each hold a teleconference to answer questions about the FY 2006 competition for University Center Program funding.

Atlanta: The Atlanta regional office will hold its conference call on January 19, 2006 at 2 p.m. EST. In order to assure enough incoming lines are available, EDA requests colleges and universities planning to participate in the conference call to send an e-mail to tpellegrino@eda.doc.gov with "Conference Call Registration" in the subject line no later than 2 p.m. EST on January 17, 2006. The number for the conference call is 1-800-988-0490. The pass code for this conference call is "46468." The lead contact for the conference call is Tom Pellegrino.

Seattle: The Seattle regional office will hold its conference call on January 23, 2006 at 11 a.m. PST. In order to assure enough incoming lines are available, EDA requests colleges and universities planning to participate in the conference call to send an e-mail to batkinson@eda.doc.gov with "Conference Call Registration" in the subject line no later than 2 p.m. PST on January 19, 2006. The number for the conference call is 1-800-857-7001. The pass code for this conference call is "12458." The lead contact for the conference call is Bettye Atkinson.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This document contains collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). The

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Executive Order 12866

This notice has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Executive Order 13132 (Federalism)

It has been determined that this notice does not contain policies with Federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

Administrative Procedure Act/Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prior notice and an opportunity for public comments are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for rules concerning grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)). Because notice and opportunity for comment are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis has not been prepared.

Dated: January 4, 2006.

Sandy K. Baruah,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

[Docket No.: 051222346-5346-01]

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships (SURF) Gaithersburg and Boulder Programs; Availability of Funds

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) announces that the following programs are soliciting applications for financial assistance for FY 2006: (1) The Gaithersburg Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program, and (2) the Boulder Summer Undergraduate

Research Fellowship Program. Each program will only consider applications that are within the scientific scope of the program as described in this notice and in the detailed program descriptions found in the Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) announcement for these programs.

Dates: See below.

Addresses: See below.

Supplementary Information:

Catalog of Federal Domestic

Assistance Name and Number:

Measurement and Engineering Research and Standards—11.609.

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships (SURF) Gaithersburg and Boulder Programs

Program Description: The SURF Gaithersburg program is soliciting applications in the areas of Electronics and Electrical Engineering, Manufacturing Engineering, Chemical Science and Technology, Physics, Materials Science and Engineering, Building and Fire Research, and Information Technology.

The SURF Boulder program is soliciting applications in the areas of Electronics and Electrical Engineering, Chemical Science and Technology, Physics, Materials Science and Engineering, and Information Technology.

Applications for the Gaithersburg and Boulder programs are separate. Application to one program does not constitute application to the other, and applications will not be exchanged between the Gaithersburg and Boulder programs. If applicants wish to be considered at both sites, two separate applications must be submitted.

Both SURF programs will provide an opportunity for the NIST laboratories

and the National Science Foundation (NSF) to join in a partnership to encourage outstanding undergraduate students to pursue careers in science and engineering. The programs will provide research opportunities for students to work with internationally known NIST scientists, to expose them to cutting-edge research and promote the pursuit of graduate degrees in science and engineering.

The NIST SURF Gaithersburg and Boulder Program Directors will work with appropriate department chairs, outreach coordinators, and directors of multi-disciplinary academic organizations to identify outstanding undergraduates (including graduating seniors) who would benefit from off-campus summer research in a world-class scientific environment.

EEEL, MEL, CSTL, PL, MSEL, BFRL, and ITL SURF Gaithersburg Programs

DATES: All SURF Gaithersburg Program applications, paper and electronic, must be received no later than 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on February 15, 2006.

ADDRESSES: For all SURF Gaithersburg Programs, paper applications must be submitted to: Ms. Anita Sweigert, Administrative Coordinator, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 8400, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8400; Tel: (301) 975-4200; E-mail: anita.sweigert@nist.gov; Web site: <http://www.surf.nist.gov/surf2.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For complete information about this program and instructions for applying by paper or electronically, read the Federal Funding Opportunity Notice (FFO) at <http://www.grants.gov>. A paper copy of the FFO may be obtained by calling (301) 975-6328. The

Gaithersburg and Boulder SURF programs will publish separate FFOs on www.grants.gov. Program questions should be addressed to Ms. Anita Sweigert, Administrative Coordinator, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 8400, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8400, Tel: (301) 975-4200, E-mail: anita.sweigert@nist.gov. The SURF Gaithersburg program Web site is: <http://www.surf.nist.gov/surf2.htm>. All grants related administration questions concerning this program should be directed to Joyce Brigham, NIST Grants and Agreements Management Division at (301) 975-6328 or joyce.brigham@nist.gov, or for assistance with using Grants.gov contact support@grants.gov.

Funding Availability

Funds budgeted for payment to students under these programs are stipends, not salary. The stipend is an amount that is expected to be provided to the participating student to help defray the cost of living, for the duration of the program, in the Washington National Capital Region. The SURF Gaithersburg Programs will not authorize funds for indirect costs or fringe benefits. The table below summarizes the anticipated annual funding levels from the NSF to operate our REU (Research Experience for Undergraduates) programs, subject to program renewals and availability of funds. In some programs, anticipated NIST co-funding will supplement the number of awards supported. Program funding will be available to provide for the costs of stipends (\$333.33 per week per student), travel, and lodging (up to \$3400 per student).

Program	Anticipated NSF funding	Anticipated NIST funding	Total program funding	Anticipated number of awards
EEEL	\$73,000	\$0	\$73,000	~11
MEL	82,000	0	82,000	~12
CSTL	71,000	36,000	107,000	~15
PL	105,000	60,000	165,000	~27
MSEL	80,000	0	80,000	~12
BFRL	65,000	30,000	95,000	~14
ITL	60,000	40,000	100,000	~17

The actual number of awards made under this announcement will depend on the proposed budgets and the availability of funding. For all SURF Gaithersburg Programs described in this notice, it is expected that individual awards to institutions will range from approximately \$3,000 to \$70,000. Funding for student housing will be

included in cooperative agreements awarded as a result of this notice.

The SURF Gaithersburg Programs are anticipated to run from May 22, 2006 through August 11, 2006; adjustments may be made to accommodate specific academic schedules (e.g., a limited number of 9-week cooperative agreements).

Statutory Authority: 15 U.S.C. 278g-1 authorizes NIST to fund financial assistance awards to students at institutions of higher learning within the United States. These students must show promise as present or future contributors to the missions of NIST.

Eligibility: NIST's SURF Gaithersburg Programs are open to colleges and

universities in the United States and its territories with degree granting programs in materials science, chemistry, engineering, computer science, mathematics, or physics. Participating students must be U.S. citizens or permanent U.S. residents. The SURF Gaithersburg Programs do not require any matching funds.

Review and Selection Process: All SURF Gaithersburg Program proposals are submitted to the Administrative Coordinator. Each proposal is examined for completeness and responsiveness. Incomplete or non-responsive proposals will not be considered for funding, and the applicant will be notified in writing. The Program will retain one copy of each non-responsive application for three years for record keeping purposes. The remaining copies will be destroyed. Proposals should include the following:

(A) Student Information:

- (1) Student application information cover sheet;
- (2) Academic transcript for each student nominated for participation (it is recommended that students have a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better, out of a possible 4.0);
- (3) A statement of motivation and commitment from each student to participate in the 2006 SURF program, including a description of the student's prioritized research interests;
- (4) A resume for each student;
- (5) Two letters of recommendation for each student; and
- (6) Confirmation of U.S. citizenship or permanent legal resident status for each student.

(B) Information About the Applicant Institution:

- (1) Description of the institution's education and research programs; and
- (2) A summary list of the student(s) being nominated.

Institution proposals will be separated into student/institution packets. Each student/institution packet will be comprised of the required application forms, including a complete copy of the student information and a complete copy of the institution information. The student/institution packets will be directed to the SURF Gaithersburg Program designated by the student as his/her first choice. Each SURF Gaithersburg Program will have three independent, objective NIST employees, who are knowledgeable in the scientific areas of the program, conduct a technical review of each student/institution packet based on the Evaluation Criteria for the SURF Gaithersburg Programs described in this notice. Each technical reviewer will recommend that each student/institution packet be placed into one of

three categories: Priority Funding; Fund if Possible; and Do Not Fund. Each student/institution packet will then be placed into one of the three categories by the Program's Director, who will take into consideration the reviewers' recommendations, the relevance of the student's course of study to the program objectives of the NIST laboratory in which that SURF Gaithersburg Program resides as described in the Program Description section of the FFO, the relevance of the student's statement of commitment to the goals of the SURF Gaithersburg Program, and the availability of funding.

Student/institution packets placed in the Priority Funding category will be selected for funding in that SURF Gaithersburg Program. Student/institution packets placed in the Do Not Fund category will not be considered for funding.

Student/institution packets placed in the Fund if Possible Category will be considered for funding by the SURF Gaithersburg Program designated by the student as his/her second choice. In making selections for funding, the Director of the student's second choice SURF Gaithersburg Program will take into consideration the recommendations of the reviewers who conducted the technical reviews for the student's first choice SURF Gaithersburg Program, the program objectives of the NIST laboratory in which the student's second choice SURF Gaithersburg Program resides as described in the Program Description section of the FFO, the relevance of the student's statement of commitment to the goals of the SURF Gaithersburg Program, and the availability of funding.

Students not selected for funding by their first or second choice SURF Gaithersburg Program, and students who did not designate a second choice, will then be considered for funding from all SURF Gaithersburg Programs that still have slots available. In making selections for funding, the SURF Gaithersburg Program Directors will take into consideration the recommendations of the reviewers who conducted the technical reviews for the student's first choice SURF Gaithersburg Program, the program objectives of the NIST laboratory in which their SURF Gaithersburg Program resides as described in the Program Description section of the FFO, the relevance to the goals of the SURF Gaithersburg Program, and the availability of funding.

Student/institution packets placed in the Fund if Possible category, but not selected through the process described above, will not be funded.

The final approval of selected applications and award of cooperative agreements will be made by the NIST Grants Officer based on compliance with application requirements as published in this notice, compliance with applicable legal and regulatory requirements, compliance with Federal policies that best further the objectives of the Department of Commerce, and whether the recommended applicants appear to be responsible. Applicants may be asked to modify objectives, work plans, or budgets and provide supplemental information required by the agency prior to award. The decision of the Grants Officer is final.

The SURF Gaithersburg Program will retain one copy of each unsuccessful application for three years for record keeping purposes, and unsuccessful applicants will be notified in writing. The remaining copies will be destroyed.

Evaluation Criteria: For the SURF Gaithersburg Programs, the evaluation criteria are:

(A) *Evaluation of Student's Academic Ability and Commitment to Program Goals:* Includes evaluation of completed course work; expressed research interest; compatibility of the expressed research interest with SURF Gaithersburg Program research areas; research skills; grade point average in courses relevant to the SURF Gaithersburg Program; career goals; honors and activities.

(B) *Evaluation of Applicant Institution's Commitment to Program Goals:* Includes evaluation of the institution's academic department(s) relevant to the discipline(s) of the student(s).

Each of these factors is given equal weight in the evaluation process.

SURF NIST Boulder Program

DATES: All SURF NIST Boulder Program applications, paper and electronic, must be received no later than 5 p.m. Mountain Standard Time on February 15, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Paper applications for the SURF NIST Boulder Program must be submitted to: Ms. Phyllis Wright, Administrative Coordinator, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 325 Broadway, Mail Stop 104, Boulder, CO 80305-3328.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For complete information about this program and instructions for applying by paper or electronically, read the Federal Funding Opportunity Notice (FFO) at <http://www.grants.gov>. A paper copy of the FFO may be obtained by calling (301) 975-6328. The Gaithersburg and Boulder SURF

programs will publish separate FFOs on www.grants.gov. Program questions should be addressed to Ms. Phyllis Wright, Administrative Coordinator, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 325 Broadway, Mail Stop 104, Boulder, CO 80305-3328, Tel: (303) 497-3244, E-mail:

pkwright@boulder.nist.gov, Web site: <http://surf.boulder.nist.gov/>. All grants related administration questions concerning this program should be directed to Joyce Brigham, NIST Grants and Agreements Management Division at (301) 975-6328 or

joyce.brigham@nist.gov, or for assistance with using Grants.gov contact support@grants.gov.

Additional Information

Funding Availability

Funds budgeted for payment to students under these programs are stipends, not salary. The stipend is an amount that is expected to be provided to the participating student to help defray the cost of living, for the duration of the program, in the Boulder area. The SURF NIST Boulder Program will not

authorize funds for indirect costs or fringe benefits. The table below summarizes the anticipated annual funding levels from the NSF to operate the SURF NIST Boulder program, broken out by Laboratory, subject to program approval and availability of funds. In some Laboratories, anticipated NIST co-funding will supplement the number of awards supported. Program funding will be available to provide for the costs of stipends (\$4000 per student for 12 weeks), travel, and lodging (approximately \$1890 per student for 12 weeks).

Laboratory	Anticipated NSF funding	Anticipated NIST funding	Total program funding	Anticipated number of awards
EEEL	\$29,560	\$29,560	\$59,120	8
PL	18,475	18,475	36,950	5
CSTL	11,085	11,085	22,170	3
MSEL	7,390	7,390	14,780	2
ITL	7,390	7,390	14,780	2

The actual number of awards made under this announcement will depend on the proposed budgets and the availability of funding. For the SURF NIST Boulder Program described in this notice, it is expected that individual awards to institutions will range from approximately \$4,000 to \$70,000. Funding for student housing will be included in cooperative agreements awarded as a result of this notice.

The SURF NIST Boulder Program is anticipated to run from May 22, 2006 through August 11, 2006; adjustments may be made to accommodate specific academic schedules (e.g., a limited number of 12 week cooperative agreements shifted to begin 3 weeks after the regular start in order to accommodate institutions operating on quarter systems).

Statutory Authority: 15 U.S.C. 278g-1.

Eligibility: The SURF NIST Boulder Program is open to colleges and universities in the United States and its territories with degree granting programs in materials science, chemistry, engineering, computer science, mathematics, or physics. Participating students must be U.S. citizens or permanent U.S. residents. The SURF NIST Boulder Programs do not require any matching funds.

Review and Selection Process: All SURF NIST Boulder Program proposals are submitted to the Administrative Coordinator. Each proposal is examined for completeness and responsiveness. Incomplete or non-responsive proposals will not be considered for funding, and the applicant will be so notified. The Program will retain one copy of each

non-responsive application for three years for record keeping purposes. The remaining copies will be destroyed. Proposals should include the following:

(A) Student Information:

(1) Student application information cover sheet;

(2) Academic transcript for each student nominated for participation (it is recommended that students have a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better, out of a possible 4.0);

(3) A statement of motivation and commitment from each student to participate in the SURF NIST Boulder program, including a description of the student's prioritized research interests;

(4) A resume for each student;

(5) Two letters of recommendation for each student; and

(6) Confirmation of U.S. citizenship or permanent legal resident status for each student.

(B) Information About the Applicant Institution:

(1) Description of the institution's education and research programs; and

(2) A summary list of the student(s) being nominated.

Institution proposals will be separated into student/institution packets. Each student/institution packet will be comprised of the required application forms, including a complete copy of the student information and a complete copy of the institution information. The student/institution packets will be directed to a review committee of NIST staff appointed by the SURF NIST Boulder Program Directors. Each SURF Program packet will be reviewed by three independent, objective NIST employees, who are knowledgeable in

the scientific areas of the program and are able to conduct a technical review of each student/institution packet based on the Evaluation Criteria for the SURF NIST Boulder Program described in the FFO. Each technical reviewer will recommend that each student/institution packet be placed into one of three categories: Priority Funding; Fund if Possible; and Do Not Fund. Each student/institution packet will then be placed into one of the three categories by the SURF NIST Boulder Program Directors, who will take into consideration the reviewers' recommendations, the relevance of the student's course of study to the program objectives of the NIST Boulder Laboratories as described in the Program Description section of the FFO, the relevance of the student's statement of commitment to the goals of the SURF NIST Boulder Program, and the availability of funding. Student/institution packets placed in the Priority Funding category will be selected for funding in the SURF NIST Boulder Program. Student/institution packets placed in the Do Not Fund category will not be considered for funding.

Student/institution packets placed in the Fund if Possible Category will be considered for funding by the SURF NIST Boulder Program when possible. For example, when an award has been declined by another applicant, a back-up will be selected from student/institution packets in this category. In this case, it is likely that either the student's second or third choice of research opportunity would be assigned. In making selections for funding, the

SURF NIST Boulder Program Directors will take into consideration the recommendations of the reviewers who conducted the technical reviews, the program objectives of the NIST Boulder laboratory in which the student's requested research opportunity resides as described in the Program Description and Objectives section of the FFO, the relevance of the student's statement of commitment to the goals of the SURF NIST Boulder Program, and the availability of funding.

Students not selected for funding for either their first, second or third choice of research opportunities, and students who did not designate a second or third choice, will then be considered for funding from all Boulder Laboratories that still have slots available. In making selections for funding, the SURF NIST Boulder Program Directors will take into consideration the recommendations of the reviewers who conducted the technical reviews, the program objectives of the NIST Laboratory in which their SURF NIST Boulder SURF Program research opportunity resides as described in the Program Description section of the FFO, the relevance to the goals of the SURF NIST Boulder Program, and the availability of funding.

Student/institution packets placed in the Fund if Possible category, but not selected through the process described above, will not be funded.

The final approval of selected applications and award of cooperative agreements will be made by the NIST Grants Officer based on compliance with application requirements as published in this notice, compliance with applicable legal and regulatory requirements, compliance with Federal policies that best further the objectives of the Department of Commerce. Applicants may be asked to modify objectives, work plans, or budgets and provide supplemental information required by the agency prior to award. The decision of the Grants Officer is final.

The SURF NIST Boulder Program will retain one copy of each unsuccessful application for three years for record keeping purposes, and unsuccessful applicants will be notified in writing. The remaining copies will be destroyed.

Evaluation Criteria: For the SURF NIST Boulder Program, the evaluation criteria are:

(A) *Evaluation of Student's Academic Ability and Commitment to Program Goals:* Includes evaluation of completed course work; expressed research interest; compatibility of the expressed research interest with SURF NIST Boulder Program research areas; research skills; grade point average in

courses relevant to the SURF NIST Boulder Program; career goals; honors and activities;

(B) *Evaluation of Applicant Institution's Commitment to Program Goals:* Includes evaluation of the institution's academic department(s) relevant to the discipline(s) of the student(s). Each of these factors is given equal weight in the evaluation process.

The following information applies to all programs announced in this notice:

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements: The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements contained in the **Federal Register** notice of December 30, 2004 (69 FR 78389). On the form SF-424, the applicant's 9-digit Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number must be entered in the Applicant Identifier block (68 FR 38402).

Collaborations with NIST Employees: All applications should include a description of any work proposed to be performed by an entity other than the applicant, and the cost of such work should ordinarily be included in the budget.

If an applicant proposes collaboration with NIST, the statement of work should include a statement of this intention, a description of the collaboration, and prominently identify the NIST employee(s) involved, if known. Any collaboration by a NIST employee must be approved by appropriate NIST management and is at the sole discretion of NIST. Prior to beginning the merit review process, NIST will verify the approval of the proposed collaboration. Any unapproved collaboration will be stricken from the proposal prior to the merit review.

Use of NIST Intellectual Property: If the applicant anticipates using any NIST-owned intellectual property to carry out the work proposed, the applicant should identify such intellectual property. This information will be used to ensure that no NIST employee involved in the development of the intellectual property will participate in the review process for that competition. In addition, if the applicant intends to use NIST-owned intellectual property, the applicant must comply with all statutes and regulations governing the licensing of Federal government patents and inventions, described at 35 U.S.C. sec. 200-212, 37 CFR part 401, 15 CFR 14.36, and in section 20 of the Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements, published on December

30, 2004 (69 FR 78389). Questions about these requirements may be directed to the Counsel for NIST, 301-975-2803.

Any use of NIST-owned intellectual property by a proposer is at the sole discretion of NIST and will be negotiated on a case-by-case basis if a project is deemed meritorious. The applicant should indicate within the statement of work whether it already has a license to use such intellectual property or whether it intends to seek one.

If any inventions made in whole or in part by a NIST employee arise in the course of an award made pursuant to this notice, the United States government may retain its ownership rights in any such invention. Licensing or other disposition of NIST's rights in such inventions will be determined solely by NIST, and include the possibility of NIST putting the intellectual property into the public domain.

Initial Screening of all Applications: All applications received in response to this announcement will be reviewed to determine whether or not they are complete and responsive to the scope of the stated objectives for each program. Incomplete or non-responsive applications will not be reviewed for technical merit. The Program will retain one copy of each non-responsive application for three years for record keeping purposes. The remaining copies will be destroyed.

Paperwork Reduction Act: The standard forms in the application kit involve a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act. The use of Standard Forms 424, 424A, 424B, SF-LLL, and CD-346 have been approved by OMB under the respective Control Numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040, 0348-0046, and 0605-0001.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

Research Projects Involving Human Subjects, Human Tissue, Data or Recordings Involving Human Subjects: Any proposal that includes research involving human subjects, human tissue, data or recordings involving human subjects must meet the requirements of the Common Rule for the Protection of Human Subjects, codified for the Department of Commerce at 15 CFR part 27. In addition, any proposal that includes

research on these topics must be in compliance with any statutory requirements imposed upon the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and other federal agencies regarding these topics, all regulatory policies and guidance adopted by DHHS, FDA, and other Federal agencies on these topics, and all Presidential statements of policy on these topics.

NIST will accept the submission of human subjects protocols that have been approved by Institutional Review Boards (IRBs) registered with DHHS and performed by entities possessing a current, valid Federal-wide Assurance (FWA) from DHHS. NIST will not issue a single project assurance (SPA) for any IRB reviewing any human subjects protocol proposed to NIST.

On August 9, 2001, the President announced his decision to allow Federal funds to be used for research on existing human embryonic stem cell lines as long as prior to his announcement (1) the derivation process (which commences with the removal of the inner cell mass from the blastocyst) had already been initiated and (2) the embryo from which the stem cell line was derived no longer had the possibility of development as a human being. NIST will follow guidance issued by the National Institutes of Health at <http://ohrp.osophs.dhhs.gov/humansubjects/guidance/stemcell.pdf> for funding such research.

Research Projects Involving Vertebrate Animals: Any proposal that includes research involving vertebrate animals must be in compliance with the National Research Council's "Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals" which can be obtained from National Academy Press, 2101 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20055. In addition, such proposals must meet the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2131 *et seq.*), 9 CFR parts 1, 2, and 3, and if appropriate, 21 CFR part 58. These regulations do not apply to proposed research using pre-existing images of animals or to research plans that do not include live animals that are being cared for, euthanized, or used by the project participants to accomplish research goals, teaching, or testing. These regulations also do not apply to obtaining animal materials from commercial processors of animal products or to animal cell lines or tissues from tissue banks.

Limitation of Liability: In no event will the Department of Commerce be responsible for proposal preparation costs if these programs fail to receive funding or are cancelled because of

other agency priorities. Publication of this announcement does not oblige the agency to award any specific project or to obligate any available funds.

Executive Order 12866: This funding notice was determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Executive Order 13132 (Federalism): It has been determined that this notice does not contain policies with federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

Executive Order 12372: Applications under this program are not subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

Administrative Procedure Act/Regulatory Flexibility Act: Notice and comment are not required under the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553) or any other law, for rules relating to public property, loans, grants, benefits or contracts (5 U.S.C. 553 (a)). Because notice and comment are not required under 5 U.S.C. 553, or any other law, for rules relating to public property, loans, grants, benefits or contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)), a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis is not required and has not been prepared for this notice, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*

Dated: December 23, 2005.

William Jeffrey,

Director, NIST.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Availability of Seats for the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council

AGENCY: National Marine Sanctuary Program (NMSP), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of request for applications.

SUMMARY: The Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary (CINMS) is seeking applicants for the following vacant seats on its Sanctuary Advisory Council (Council): tourism-alternate and Recreational Fishing member and alternate. Applicants are chosen based upon their particular expertise and experience in relation to the seat for which they are applying; community and professional affiliations; philosophy regarding the protection and

management of marine resources; and possibly the length of residence in the area affected by the Sanctuary. Applicants who are chosen as members should expect to serve 2-year terms, pursuant to the Council's Charter.

DATES: Applications are due by February 14, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Application kits may be obtained from Jacklyn Kelly, Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary, 113 Harbor Way, Suite 150, Santa Barbara, CA 93109-2315. Completed applications should be sent to the same address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jacklyn Kelly, Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary, 113 Harbor Way, Suite 150, Santa Barbara, CA 93109-2315, (805) 966-7107 extension 371, jacklyn.kelly@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CINMS Advisory Council was originally established in December 1998 and has a broad representation consisting of 21 members, including ten government agency representatives and eleven members from the general public. The Council functions in an advisory capacity to the Sanctuary Manager. The Council works in concert with the Sanctuary Manager by keeping him or her informed about issues of concern throughout the Sanctuary, offering recommendations on specific issues, and aiding the Manager in achieving the goals of the Sanctuary program. Specifically, the Council's objectives are to provide advice on: (1) Protecting natural and cultural resources, and identifying and evaluating emergent or critical issues involving Sanctuary use or resources; (2) Identifying and realizing the Sanctuary's research objectives; (3) Identifying and realizing educational opportunities to increase the public knowledge of stewardship of the Sanctuary environment; and (4) Assisting to develop an informed constituency to increase awareness and understanding of the purpose and value of the Sanctuary and the National Marine Sanctuary Program.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. Sections 1431, *et seq.* (Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number 11.429 Marine Sanctuary Program)

Dated: December 29, 2005.

Daniel J. Basta,

Director, National Marine Sanctuary Program, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary of Defense****Meeting of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences**

AGENCY: Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, DoD.

ACTION: Quarterly meeting notice.

SUMMARY: The actions that will take place include the approval of the minutes from the Board of Regents meeting on November 7, 2005; acceptance of departmental reports; and the awarding of graduate degrees in the biomedical sciences from the Uniformed Services University (USU) School of Medicine. The President, USU; Dean, USU School of Medicine; Dean, USU Graduate School of Nursing; and Director, Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute will also present reports. These actions are necessary in order to remain an accredited medical school and to pursue our mission, which is to provide trained medical personnel to our uniformed services.

DATES: February 7, 2006, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Board of Regents Conference Room (D3001), 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-4799.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: CAPT Jane E. Mead, NC, USN, Executive Secretary, Board of Regents, 301.295.0962.

Dated: January 5, 2006.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer.

[FR Doc. 06-217 Filed 1-5-06; 2:59 pm]

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Navy****Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Inventions; Available for Licensing**

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and are made available for licensing by the Department of the Navy.

U.S. Patent Number 5,264,693, entitled "Microelectronic Photomultiplier Device with Integrated

Circuitry", issue date November 23, 1993. U.S. Patent Number 5,272,476, entitled "Data Acquisition System having novel, low power circuit for time-division-multiplexing sensor array signals", issued December 21, 1993. U.S. Patent Number 5,276,695, entitled "Multifrequency, rapidly sequenced or simultaneous tunable laser", issued January 4, 1994. U.S. Patent Number 5,285,467, entitled "Compact, efficient, scalable neodymium laser co-doped with activator ions and pumped by visible laser diodes", issued February 8, 1994. U.S. Patent Number 5,306,904, entitled "Multilayer microelectronic photomultiplier device with a stacked series of dynode and insulating layers", issued April 26, 1994. U.S. Patent Number 5,310,989, entitled "Method for laser-assisted etching of III-V and II-VI semiconductor compounds using chlorofluorocarbon ambients", issued May 10, 1994. U.S. Patent Number 5,310,990, entitled "Method of laser processing ferroelectric materials", issued May 10, 1994. U.S. Patent Number 5,736,950, entitled "Sigma-delta modulator with tunable signal passband", issued April 7, 1998. U.S. Patent Number 5,737,347, entitled "Laser with multiple gain elements", issued April 7, 1998. U.S. Patent Number 5,757,867, entitled "Digital mixing to baseband decimation filter", issued May 26, 1998. U.S. Patent Number 5,760,722, entitled "Distributed quantization noise transmission zeros in cascaded sigma-delta modulators", issued June 2, 1998. U.S. Patent Number 5,764,677, entitled "Laser diode power combiner", issued June 9, 1998. U.S. Patent Number 6,342,866, entitled "Wideband antenna system", issued January 29, 2002. U.S. Patent Number 6,404,038, entitled "Complementary vertical bipolar junction transistors fabricated of silicon-on-sapphire utilizing wide base PNP transistors", issued June 11, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the patents cited should be directed to the Space and Naval Warfare Center, San Diego, Office of Research and Technology Applications, Code 2112, 83570 Silvergate Ave, San Diego CA 92152-5048.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Stephen H. Lieberman, Office of Research and Technology Applications, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center, San Diego, Code 2112, 83570 Silvergate Ave, Rm 2302, San Diego, CA 92152-5048, tel. 619-553-2778, E-Mail: stephen.lieberman@navy.mil.

Authority: 35 U.S.C. 207, 37 CFR part 404.

Dated: December 28, 2005.

Eric McDonald,

Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**National Board for Education Sciences; Meeting**

AGENCY: National Board for Education Sciences; ED.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the National Board for Education Sciences. Notice of this meeting is required under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend the meeting. Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability (i.e., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, materials in alternative format) should notify Sonia Chessen at (202) 219-2195 by January 13, 2006. We will attempt to meet requests after this date, but cannot guarantee availability of the requested accommodation. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

DATES: January 23 and 24, 2006.

Time: January 23, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.; January 24, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Location: The Washington Court Hotel, 525 New Jersey Ave., NW., Washington, DC, 20001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sonia Chessen, Executive Director, National Board for Education Sciences, Washington, DC 20208. Tel.: (202) 219-2195; fax: (202) 219-1466; e-mail: Sonia.Chessen@ed.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Board for Education Sciences is authorized by Section 116 of the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002. The Board advises the Director of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) on the establishment of activities to be supported by the Institute, on the funding of applications for grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements for research after the completion of peer review, and reviews and evaluates the work of the Institute. On January 23, the Board will meet from 2 to 5 p.m. to hear an update on the work of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) and a presentation of IES Policies and Procedures for the Peer Review of Grant

Applications and Reports. On January 24, at 9 a.m., the Board will review the activities of the previous day and the present day's agenda. Starting at 9:15 a.m., the Board will discuss and take action on the Peer Review Policies and Procedures. From 9:45 to 10:30 a.m., the Board will hear from Michael Casserly on Research Evidence Needed by Practitioners and Policy Makers. At 10:45 a.m., the Board will hear from Drs. Arden Bement and Duane Alexander on the research agendas of the National Science Foundation and National Institutes of Health as they relate to education, and at 12:30 p.m., the Board will consider the implications of the day's presentations. At 1:15 p.m., the Board will consider its priorities and activities for 2006. Adjournment is scheduled for 2 p.m. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for May 8 and 9, 2006.

Records will be kept of all Board proceedings and will be available for public inspection at the office of the National Board for Education Sciences, 555 New Jersey Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20208.

Dated: January 3, 2006.

Grover J. Whitehurst,

Director, Institute of Education Sciences.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR06-8-000]

Dow Intrastate Gas Company; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

December 29, 2005.

Take notice that on December 15, 2005, Dow Intrastate Gas Company (DIGCO) filed a petition for rate approval pursuant to § 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's regulations. DIGCO states that it proposes a maximum interruptible rate of \$0.0388 per MMBtu, plus a 0.004 percent in-kind fuel reimbursement for the transportation of natural gas under section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make

protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the date as indicated below. Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: January 19, 2006.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR06-7-000]

ETC Katy Pipeline, Ltd.; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

December 29, 2005.

Take notice that on December 8, 2005, ETC Katy Pipeline, Ltd. (ETC) filed, pursuant to section 284.123(b)(1)(i)(A) of the Commission's regulations, an election to use rates contained in its effective State of Texas transportation rate schedule for comparable services under subpart C of part 284 of the Commission's regulations. ETC states that this rate will be applicable to the firm and interruptible transportation of natural gas under section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the date as indicated below. Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

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This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: January 19, 2006.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL06-27-000]

The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.; Notice of Filing

December 20, 2005.

Take notice that on December 12, 2005, The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (GS Group) tendered for filing a Petition

for Declaratory Order stating that section 203 of the Federal Power Act, as amended, will not apply to certain acquisitions of utility and holding company securities. GS Group further states that accompanying this filing is an Application for Blanket Authorization to Acquire Utility and/or Holding Company Securities, pursuant to, amended section 203(a)(2) of the Federal Power Act, but that the Commission need not act on this latter Application if the Commission grants the declaratory relief.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant and all the parties in this proceeding.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

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Comment Date: 5 pm Eastern Time on January 11, 2006.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP06-152-000]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Petition for Waiver and Request for Expedited Action

December 29, 2005.

Take notice that on December 23, 2005, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural), pursuant to Rule 207 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, submitted a petition for waiver of tariff and request for expedited action to waive certain secondary point rights provisions set forth in section 5.5 of its General Terms and Conditions. Natural makes this request to provide shippers with added flexibility in responding to capacity constraints on Natural's Gulf Coast Line brought on by system testing and maintenance. Natural requests that the Commission grant this petition by January 20, 2006, so that shippers can utilize the waiver to set up February business, thereby mitigating the impact of the capacity reductions.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed in accordance with the provisions of Section 154.210 of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 154.210). Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

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review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP06-42-000, CP06-43-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company, Targa Texas Field Services LP; Notice of Application and Petition for a Declaratory Order

December 29, 2005.

Take notice that on December 27, 2005, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in Docket No. CP06-42-000 an application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and part 157 of the Commission's Regulations, for permission and approval to abandon by sale various natural gas pipeline facilities located in various Texas counties to Targa Texas Field Services LP (Targa), 1000 Louisiana Street, Suite 4700, Houston, Texas 77002. On December 23, 2005, Targa filed in Docket No. CP06-43-000 a petition for a declaratory order with the Commission disclaiming jurisdiction for the facilities it intends to purchase from Northern. Northern's and Targa's applications are on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. These filings may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202-502-8222 or for TTY, 202-502-8659).

Northern proposes to abandon by sale to Targa approximately 101 miles of 16-, 10-, 8-, and 4-inch diameter pipeline, including all delivery and receipt points and appurtenant facilities in Schleicher, Irion, Reagan, Glasscock, and Midland Counties, Texas, for a price of \$3,000,000 pursuant to their October 31, 2005, sales agreement. Concurrently, Targa petitions for a declaratory order disclaiming the

Commission's jurisdiction over the facilities, rates, services, or operations (referred to as the Eldorado—Spraberry facilities) it would purchase from Northern. Northern states that Targa would integrate the Eldorado—Spraberry facilities into Targa's gathering system and offer gathering service to existing customers as well as to other parties who request service on these facilities.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Michael T. Loeffler, Director, Certificates and Government Affairs for Northern, 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, at (402) 398-7103 or Dan Middlebrooks, Director Gas Supply—Texas, Targa Texas Field Services LP, 1000 Louisiana Street, Suite 4700, Houston, Texas 77002, at (713) 584-1047.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and

two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Comment Date: January 19, 2006.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP05-410-001]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Amendment of Application

December 29, 2005.

Take notice that on December 23, 2005 Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application under section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) to amend its original application pending Commission approval in Docket No. CP05-410-000, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be also viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call (202) 502-8659 or TTY, (202) 208-3676.

Northern states it is amending its original application requesting authorization to install the water handling facilities to increase the storage capacity at its Redfield Storage

Field in Dallas County, Iowa, pursuant to section 7 of the NGA. This amendment is in addition to the authorization requested in the original application filed September 2, 2005.

Any questions regarding this amendment should be directed to Michael T. Loeffler, Director of Certificates for Northern, 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, (402) 398-7103 or Bret Fritch, Senior Regulatory Analyst, at (402) 398-7140.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be

required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Comment Date: January 5, 2006.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

December 28, 2005.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER04-691-068.

Applicants: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Description: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc submits Substitute Third Revised Sheet 50 et al to FERC Electric Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0010.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER05-143-003.

Applicants: Reliant Energy Florida, LLC.

Description: Reliant Energy Florida LLC clarifies the change in contracted status of its Indian River Generating Facility.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051222-0054.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER05-1495-001.

Applicants: American Electric Power Service Corporation.

Description: American Electric Power Service Corp as agent for Appalachian Power Co submits its compliance filing.

Filed Date: 12/19/2005.

Accession Number: 20051221-0094.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, January 9, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-71-001.

Applicants: Southwestern Public Service Company.

Description: Southwestern Public Service Co submits revisions to their FERC Electric Rate Schedule No. 118.

Filed Date: 12/09/2005.

Accession Number: 20051214-0016.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, January 9, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-109-001.

Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: Southwest Power Pool Inc submits an executed service agreement for long-term firm point to point transmission service with Southwestern Public Service Co et al.

Filed Date: 12/19/2005.

Accession Number: 20051221-0091.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 5, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-116-001.

Applicants: Entergy Services, Inc.

Description: Entergy Services Inc submits on behalf of Entergy Gulf States Inc, Exhibit C to the Rate Schedules providing for cost-based power sales for full requirements service to the City of Caldwell et al.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051222-0052.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-117-000.

Applicants: FirstEnergy Solutions Corp.

Description: Notice of appearance of Michael L Kurtz, and Kurt J Boehm as counsel for Mittal Steel USA ISG, Inc.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051222-0062.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-229-001.

Applicants: Safeway Inc.

Description: Safeway, Inc's submits Rate Schedule No.1 in accordance with FERC Order 614 guidelines.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0009.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-246-000.

Applicants: Allegheny Power.

Description: Allegheny Power submits a notice of cancellation of the Interconnection & Operating Agreement with Mill Run Windpower, LLC.

Filed Date: 11/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051129-0128.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 5, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-247-000.

Applicants: Allegheny Power.

Description: Allegheny Power submits a notice of cancellation of the Power Resale Agreement, dated as of 3/18/87

between Monongahela Power Co & West Penn Power Co et al.

Filed Date: 11/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051129-0129.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 5, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-248-000.

Applicants: Allegheny Power.

Description: Allegheny Power submits a notice of cancellation of the Interconnection and Operating Agreement with Industrial Power Generating Corp for Mountain View etc.

Filed Date: 11/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051129-0130.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 5, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-343-000.

Applicants: Northeast Utilities

Description: Northeast Utilities Service Co submits a Notice of Cancellation of NU Companies Service Agreement No.13 under ISO New England, Inc's FERC Electric Tariff No. 3.

Filed Date: 12/19/2005.

Accession Number: 20051221-0035.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, January 9, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-344-000.

Applicants: Southwest Power Pool.

Description: Southwest Power Pool, Inc submits revisions to Attachment AD of its Open Access Transmission Tariff to modify the Tariff Administration Agreement w/Southwestern Power Administration.

Filed Date: 12/19/2005.

Accession Number: 20051221-0036.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, January 09, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-345-000.

Applicants: Arizona Public Service Company.

Description: Arizona Public Service Co's compliance filing, in response to FERC's Order 2006-A.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051222-0077.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-346-000.

Applicants: Desert Generation & Transmission Co-operative, Inc.

Description: Deseret Generation & Transmission Co-operative, Inc submits an Agreement for Large Industrial Rate with Bridger Valley Electric Association.

Filed Date: 12/19/2005.

Accession Number: 20051221-0038.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, January 09, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-347-000.

Applicants: Arizona Public Service Company.

Description: Arizona Public Service Co submits revisions to its Open Access Transmission Tariff to comply with FERC's Order 661-A.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051222-0049.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-348-000.

Applicants: DTE East China, LLC.

Description: DTE East China LLC submits its proposed FERC Electric Tariff No. 5 which set the cost-based revenue requirement.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051222-0048.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-349-000.

Applicants: Florida Power & Light Company.

Description: Florida Power & Light Co submits its Notice of Cancellation of 1st Revised Service Agreement No. 184 and 185 with Duke Energy Trading and Marketing LLC.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0015.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-350-000.

Applicants: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Description: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator Inc submits revisions to Attachment (Grandfathered Agreement) of its Open Access Transmission and Energy Market Tariff.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0014.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-369-000.

Applicants: Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

Description: Pacific Gas and Electric Co submits temporary modifications to the Service Agreement No. 42 for Network Integration Transmission Service with the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0225.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-370-000.

Applicants: California Independent System Operator Corporation.

Description: California Independent System Operator Corp submits an Amended and Restated Interconnected Control Area Operating Agreement with Sierra Pacific Power Co, effective 2/1/06.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228-0015.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER98-2782-010.

Applicants: AG-Energy LP.

Description: AG-Energy, LP, Power City Partners, LP et al notifies FERC of a non-material change in facts regarding their upstream ownership.

Filed Date: 12/09/2005.

Accession Number: 20051214-0015.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 5, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER99-3491-008;

ER00-2184-006; ER00-2185-006;

EL05-124-003.

Applicants: PPL Montana, LLC; PPL Colstrip I, LLC; PPL Colstrip II, LLC.

Description: PPL Montana LLC, PPL Colstrip I, LLC and PPL Colstrip II LLC submits informational filing.

Filed Date: 12/20/2005.

Accession Number: 20051222-0055.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, January 10, 2006.

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are also available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

December 29, 2005.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings.

Docket Numbers: ER01-2562-004.

Applicants: Competitive Energy Services, LLC.

Description: Competitive Energy Services, LLC submits its revised market-based rate tariff as instructed in Appendix B of the order on updated market power analyses.

Filed Date: 12/21/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0188.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER05-1502-002.

Applicants: California Independent System Operator.

Description: California Independent System Operator Corp submits its compliance filing to Commission's 11/21/05 Order.

Filed Date: 12/21/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0018.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER05-938-003.

Applicants: Southern Company Services, Inc.

Description: Southern Company Services, Inc submits the Compliance Refund Report pursuant to the Commission's letter order dated 12/2/05.

Filed Date: 12/21/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0007.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-27-001.

Applicants: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Description: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc

submits proposed revisions to its Open Access Transmission and Energy Markets Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1 etc.

Filed Date: 12/21/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0008.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-33-000.

Applicants: Pacific Gas & Electric Company.

Description: Pacific Gas & Electric Co submits proposed revisions to Rate Schedule No. 208 for the Reliability Must-Run Service Agreement with CASIO.

Filed Date: 12/21/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0249.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-351-000.

Applicants: Arizona Public Service Company.

Description: Arizona Public Service Co submits amended sheets to the IOA between APS and Gila River which is designated as Service Agreement No. 174 under its FERC Electric Tariff, Volume No. 2 *et al.*

Filed Date: 12/21/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0041.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-353-000.

Applicants: Duke Energy Corporation.

Description: Duke Energy Corp, on behalf of Duke Electric Transmission submits an executed Network Integration Service Agreement for Network Integration Transmission Service with Piedmont Municipal Power Agency.

Filed Date: 12/21/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0016.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-355-000.

Applicants: South Carolina Electric & Gas Corporation.

Description: South Carolina Electric & Gas Co submits an Open Access Transmission Tariff by including Appendix 7 as an amendment to the OATT's Large Generator Interconnection Procedures etc.

Filed Date: 12/21/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0021.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-356-000.

Applicants: Midwest Independent

Transmission System Operator, Inc. *Description:* Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc submits its proposed revisions to the Midwest ISO's Open Access Transmission and Energy Markets Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1 etc.

Filed Date: 12/21/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0022.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-357-000.

Applicants: Cleco Marketing & Trading LLC.

Description: Cleco Marketing & Trading, LLC submits a notice of termination of its market-based wholesale sales rate schedule, FERC Electric Rate Schedule No. 1.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-0056.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-358-000.

Applicants: American Electric Power Service Corporation.

Description: American Electric Power Service Corp agent for Kentucky Power Co submits a cost-based formula rate agreement for full requirements electric service (including Appendices A through D) with the City of Olive Hill, KY.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0194.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-359-000.

Applicants: Xcel Energy Operating Companies.

Description: Xcel Energy submits the Fifth Revised Sheet Nos. 48-56 to the Restated Agreement to Coordinate Planning and Operations and Interchange Power and Energy w/ Northern States Power Co.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0195.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-360-000.

Applicants: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Description: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc submits the unexecuted Service Agreement for Sioux Falls Municipal Light & Power Department.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0191.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-361-000.

Applicants: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Description: Midwest Independent Transmission Operator, Inc submits the unexecuted Service Agreement for Truman Public Utilities.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0196.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-362-000.

Applicants: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Description: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc submits the unexecuted Service Agreement for the University of North Dakota—Facilities.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0192.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-363-000.

Applicants: Midwest Independent

Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Description: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc submits the unexecuted Service Agreement for East Grand Forks Water & Light Department.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0193.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-364-000.

Applicants: Trans-Elect NTD Path 15, LLC.

Description: Trans-Elect NTD Path 15, LLC submits First Revised Sheet No. 16 to FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No.1.

Filed Date: 12/21/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0190.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, January 11, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-365-000.

Applicants: Entergy Services, Inc.

Description: Entergy Services, Inc as agent for Entergy Operating Companies submits unexecuted Network Operating Agreements etc with City of Conway, Arkansas & the City of West Memphis, Arkansas.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0197.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-366-000.

Applicants: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Description: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc et al submits revisions to Schedule 23 to its Open Access Transmission and Energy Markets Tariff.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0189.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-371-000.

Applicants: Avista Corporation.

Description: Avista Corporation submits Rate Schedule FERC No. 227 an Interconnection & Transmission Service Agreement with Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0221.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-372-000.

Applicants: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Description: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. submits an unexecuted Attachment 2—Form of Schedule 23 Service Agreement on behalf of Granite Falls Municipal Utilities.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228-0062.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-373-000.

Applicants: Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Description: Midwest ISO submits on behalf of East River Electric Power Cooperative unexecuted copies of Attachment 2—Form of Schedule 23 Service Agreement.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228-0064.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-374-000.

Applicants: MidAmerican Energy Company.

Description: MidAmerican Energy Co submits its Open Access Transmission Tariff for compliance with Order 661 and 661-A.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228-0063.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and § 385.214) on or before 5 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. It is not necessary to separately intervene again in a subdocket related to a compliance filing if you have previously intervened in the same docket. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. In reference to filings initiating a new proceeding, interventions or protests submitted on or before the comment deadline need not be served on persons other and the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an

eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

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The filings in the above proceedings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed dockets(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

December 30, 2005.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings

Docket Numbers: ER01-3001-014.

Applicants: New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

Description: New York Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. submits corrected Ninth Biannual Compliance Report that addresses the Demand Response Programs and the Addition of New Generation.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051230-0097.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER03-683-009.

Applicants: California Independent System Operator Corporation.

Description: California ISO submits supplemental Refund Report.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051223-5041.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-278-001.

Applicants: Nevada Hydro Company, Inc.

Description: Nevada Hydro Co, Inc. supplements its 12/1/05 filing of the Talega-Escondido Valley Serrano 500-kV Interconnect Project and the Lake Elsinore Advance Pump Storage Project.

Filed Date: 12/22/2005.

Accession Number: 20051230-0098.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, January 12, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-368-000.

Applicants: MidAmerican Energy Company.

Description: MidAmerican Energy Co submits an agreement governing joint ownership of transmission facilities dated 11/17/05.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051227-0248.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-376-000.

Applicants: EL Paso Electric Company.

Description: El Paso Electric Co submits a rate schedule under which it intends to continue service to its retail customer, Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo, New Mexico.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228-0066.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-377-000.

Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: PJM Interconnection, LLC submits an executed Construction Service Agreement with Baileyville Wind Farm, LLC and Commonwealth Edison Company.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228-0260.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-378-000.

Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: PJM Interconnection, LLC submits an executed Interconnection Service Agreement with Burlington County and Public Service Electric and Gas Co.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228-0259.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06-379-000.

Applicants: Commonwealth Edison Company.

Description: Commonwealth Edison Co submits a Letter Agreement with Midwest Generation, LLC amending the Facilities, Interconnection and Easement Agreement for the Collins Generating Station dated 12/15/99.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228-0076.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06–380–000.
Applicants: Kentucky Utilities Company.

Description: Kentucky Utilities Co submits an amendment to a contract with City of Owensboro, Kentucky.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051229–0238.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06–381–000.

Applicants: Kentucky Utilities Company.

Description: Kentucky Utilities Co submits an amendment to a contract with City of Corbin, Kentucky.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051229–0232.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06–382–000.

Applicants: Kentucky Utilities Company.

Description: Kentucky Utilities Co submits an amendment to a contract with the City of Nicholasville, Kentucky.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051229–0236.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06–383–000.

Applicants: Kentucky Utilities Company.

Description: Kentucky Utilities Co submits an amendment to a contract with City of Providence, Kentucky.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051229–0234.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06–384–000.

Applicants: Montaup Electric Company.

Description: New England Power Co provides a notice of termination of FERC Rate Schedule No. 106 contract between Montaup and Pittsfield Generating Co., LP.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228–0074.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06–385–000.

Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: PJM Interconnection, LLC submits a notice of cancellation of the agreement for dynamic scheduling transmission service for Wisconsin Electric Power Co.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228–0073.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06–386–000.

Applicants: Direct Energy Services, LLC.

Description: Direct Energy Services, LLC submits Petition to amend market-based rate schedule & request for certain waiver and blanket approvals.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228–0072.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

Docket Numbers: ER06–387–000.

Applicants: Geysers Power Company, LLC.

Description: Geysers Power Co, LLC submits a Notice of Termination of its First Revised Rate Schedule FERC No. 4, the Reliability Must-Run Service Agreement with California Independent System Operator Corp, effective 1/1/06.

Filed Date: 12/23/2005.

Accession Number: 20051228–0071.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, January 13, 2006.

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Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions

December 28, 2005.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2082–027.

c. *Date Filed:* February 25, 2004.

d. *Applicant:* PacifiCorp.

e. *Name of Project:* Klamath Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Klamath River in Klamath County, Oregon and on the Klamath River and Fall Creek in Siskiyou County, California. The project currently includes 219 acres of Federal lands administered by the Bureau of Reclamation and the Bureau of Land Management.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791 (a)–825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Cory Scott, Licensing Project Manager, PacifiCorp, 825 NE. Multnomah, Suite 1500, Portland, Oregon 97232, (503) 813–6011.

i. *FERC Contact:* John Mudre, (202) 502–8902 or john.mudre@ferc.gov.

j. Deadline for filing comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions is 60 days from the issuance of this notice; reply comments are due 105 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents

with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

Comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

k. This application has been accepted, and is ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. The proposed Project consists of four existing generating developments (J.C. Boyle, Copco No. 1, Copco No. 2, and Iron Gate) along the mainstem of the Upper Klamath River, between RM 228 and RM 254, and one generating development (Fall Creek) on Fall Creek, a tributary to the Klamath River at about RM 196. The existing Spring Creek diversion is proposed for inclusion within the Fall Creek Development. The currently-licensed East Side, West Side, and Keno Developments are not included in the proposed Project.

m. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

All filings must: (1) Bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b).

Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b), and 385.2010.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Request To Use Alternative Procedures in Preparing a License Application

December 28, 2005.

Take notice that the following request to use alternative procedures to prepare a license application has been filed with the Commission.

a. *Type of Application:* Request to use alternative procedures to prepare a new license application.

b. *Project No.:* 12478-000.

c. *Date Filed:* December 7, 2005.

d. *Applicant:* Gibson Dam Hydroelectric Company, LLC.

e. *Name of Project:* Gibson Dam Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On Sun River in Lewis and Clark County, Montana. The project would be located at the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Gibson Dam. The project would also occupy lands within the Lewis and Clark National Forest.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Steve C. Marmon, Project Manager, Gibson Dam Hydroelectric Company, LLC, 3633 Alderwood Avenue, Bellingham, WA 98225; (360) 738,9999.

i. *FERC Contact:* David Turner at (202) 502-6091; e-mail David.Turner@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for Comments:* 30 days from the date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Comments may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The

Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

k. The project would be located at the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Gibson Dam on the Sun River. The project would consist of a power house containing one 7 MW and two 1.5 MW horizontal Francis-type turbines. Two powerhouse alternatives are being considered: one near the base of the Gibson dam, the other near the Gibson Dam outlet works. Power would be transmitted via a 69 kV transmission along one of two possible routes originating from a step-up substation near the Forest Service boundary: a 18 mile long route along Sun River Canyon Road to the South Augusta Substation near Augusta, Montana; or a seven-mile-long cross country route to either the Northwest Energy substation or North Augusta substation north of Augusta, Montana.

l. A copy of the request to use alternative procedures is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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m. Gibson Dam Hydroelectric has demonstrated that it has made an effort to contact all Federal and state resources agencies, non-governmental organizations (NGO), and others affected by the project. Gibson Dam Hydroelectric has also demonstrated that a consensus exists that the use of alternative procedures is appropriate in this case. Gibson Dam Hydroelectric has submitted a communications protocol that is supported by the stakeholders.

The purpose of this notice is to invite any additional comments on Gibson Dam Hydroelectric request to use the alternative procedures, pursuant to Section 4.34(i) of the Commission's regulations. Additional notices seeking comments on the specific project proposal, interventions and protests, and recommended terms and conditions

will be issued at a later date. Gibson Dam Hydroelectric will complete and file a preliminary Environmental Assessment, in lieu of Exhibit E of the license application. This differs from the traditional process, in which an applicant consults with agencies, Indian tribes, NGOs, and other parties during preparation of the license application and before filing the application, but the Commission staff performs the environmental review after the application is filed. The alternative procedures are intended to simplify and expedite the licensing process by combining the pre-filing consultation and environmental review processes into a single process, to facilitate greater participation, and to improve communication and cooperation among the participants.

Gibson Dam Hydroelectric issued an initial consultation document describing the proposed project on February 15, 2005. Agency and public meetings and a site visit for the project were conducted during the week of March 28, 2005.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

[Notice 2005-31]

Filing Dates for the California Special Election in the 50th Congressional District

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

ACTION: Notice of filing dates for special election.

SUMMARY: California has scheduled a special general election on April 11, 2006, to fill the U.S. House of

Representatives seat in the Fiftieth Congressional District vacated by Representative Randy "Duke" Cunningham. Under California law, a majority winner in a special election is declared elected. Should no candidate achieve a majority vote, a special runoff election will be held on June 6, 2006, among the top vote-getters of each qualified political party, including qualified independent candidates.

Committees participating in the California special elections are required to file pre- and post-election reports. Filing dates for these reports are affected by whether one or two elections are held.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Kevin R. Salley, Information Division, 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20463; Telephone: (202) 694-1100; Toll Free (800) 424-9530.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Principal Campaign Committees

All principal campaign committees of candidates who participate in the California Special General and Special Runoff Elections shall file a 12-day Pre-General Report on March 30, 2006; a Pre-Runoff Report on May 25, 2006; and a consolidated Post-Runoff & July Quarterly Report on July 15, 2006. (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

If only one election is held, all principal campaign committees of candidates in the Special General Election shall file a 12-day Pre-General Report on March 30, 2006; and a Post-General Report on May 11, 2006. (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

Unauthorized Committees (PACs and Party Committees)

Political committees filing on a quarterly basis in 2006 are subject to

special election reporting if they make previously undisclosed contributions or expenditures in connection with the California Special General or Special Runoff Elections by the close of books for the applicable report(s). (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

Committees filing monthly that support candidates in the California Special General or Special Runoff Election should continue to file according to the monthly reporting schedule.

Disclosure of Electioneering Communications (Individuals and Other Unregistered Organizations)

As required by the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002, the Federal Election Commission promulgated new electioneering communications rules governing television and radio communications that refer to a clearly identified federal candidate and are distributed within 60 days prior to a special general election (including a special general runoff). 11 CFR 100.29. The statute and regulations require, among other things, that individuals and other groups not registered with the FEC who make electioneering communications costing more than \$10,000 in the aggregate in a calendar year disclose that activity to the Commission within 24 hours of the distribution of the communication. See 11 CFR 104.20.

The 60-day electioneering communications period in connection with the California Special General runs from February 10, 2006 through April 11, 2006. The 60-day electioneering communications period in connection with the California Special Runoff runs from April 7, 2006 through June 6, 2006.

CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES FOR CALIFORNIA SPECIAL ELECTION

Report	Close of books ¹	Reg./Cert. & overnight mailing date	Filing date
If Only The Special General Is Held (04/11/06), Committees Involved Must File:			
Pre-General	03/22/06	03/27/06	03/30/06
April Quarterly	03/31/06	04/15/06	04/15/06 ²
Post-General	05/01/06	05/11/06	05/11/06
July Quarterly	06/30/06	07/15/06	07/15/06 ²
If Two Elections Are Held, Committees Involved Only In The Special General (04/11/06) Must File:			
Pre-General	03/22/06	03/27/06	03/30/06
April Quarterly	03/31/06	04/15/06	04/15/06 ²
Committees Involved In The Special General (04/11/06) And Special Runoff (06/06/06) Must File:			
Pre-General	03/22/06	03/27/06	03/31/06
April Quarterly	03/31/06	04/15/06	04/15/06 ²
Pre-Runoff	05/17/06	05/22/06	05/25/06

CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES FOR CALIFORNIA SPECIAL ELECTION—Continued

Report	Close of books ¹	Reg./Cert. & overnight mailing date	Filing date
Post-Runoff & July Quarterly ³	06/30/06	07/15/06	07/15/06 ²
Committees Involved <i>Only</i> In The Special Runoff (06/06/06) Must File:			
Pre-Runoff	05/17/06	05/22/06	05/25/06
Post-Runoff & July Quarterly ³	06/30/06	07/15/06	07/15/06 ²

¹ The period begins with the close of books of the last report filed by the committee. If the committee has filed no previous reports, the period begins with the date of the committee's first activity.

² Notice that this deadline falls on a holiday or a weekend. Filing dates are not extended when they fall on nonworking days.

³ Committees should file a consolidated Post-Runoff and July Quarterly Report by the filing date of the July Quarterly Report.

Dated: December 29, 2005.

Scott E. Thomas,

Chairman, Federal Election Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 2005N-0508]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Survey of Healthcare Practitioners Regarding Their Preferences for Public Health Notifications

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on a survey of healthcare practitioners' preferences regarding public health notifications (PHNs).

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by March 10, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit electronic comments on the collection of information to: <http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments>. Submit written comments on the collection of information to the Division of Dockets Management (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. All comments should be identified with the

docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Denver Presley, Office of Management Programs (HFA-250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1472.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. "Collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, FDA is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

With respect to the following collection of information, FDA invites comments on these topics: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FDA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FDA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

Survey of Healthcare Practitioners Regarding Their Preferences for PHNs

The PHN is one of the tools that the Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) uses to get an important message to the user community about risks associated with use of medical devices. This particular tool is meant to serve a specific purpose not served by the other communication tools at our disposal—to be a source of information for healthcare practitioners, immediately recognizable as a statement from FDA, about a device risk with information on how to avoid or mitigate the risk. The purpose of this project is to evaluate the current notification format and distribution process for CDRH, with the goal of determining what is necessary to assure that the notifications reach, and are acted upon by, the target audience. The center needs to know that it is using the most effective approach to formatting and to disseminating PHNs to assure that they are received, recognized, understood, and acted upon quickly and effectively by medical practitioners and institutions. Considerations include, but are not limited to, design, terminology, nomenclature, distribution, utility of standardization, relationship with other medical product notifications (e.g., recalls), use of electronic transmission, and use of plain language.

The intent of this project is to determine the preferences of the healthcare community for learning from FDA about risks associated with medical devices and to compare the current process against the approach identified by the research to be "preferred" with the intent of improving our format and process.

CDRH will conduct a survey of a sample of healthcare providers who receive a new PHN from FDA. Most recently, FDA has been using intermediary organizations, such as professional associations, to help us distribute notifications to the appropriate target audiences and we are

assuming that any new PHN will be disseminated in this way, using the appropriate association to distribute the PHN to their members. Generally, the PHN is distributed to the target audience electronically, either as a link embedded in a news article or sent directly via e-mail from either the

professional association or FDA using the e-mail listing provided by the professional association. As part of the notification, we will provide a link to a Web-based questionnaire that will collect information related to the healthcare providers' preferences for

learning about risks associated with medical devices.

The information collected in this survey will help FDA identify the most effective format(s) and distribution method(s) for CDRH PHNs.

FDA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL REPORTING BURDEN¹

Activity	No. of Respondents	Annual Frequency per Response	Total Annual Responses	Hours per Response	Total Hours
Survey of healthcare providers in relevant specialty	300	1	300	.1666	50
Survey of healthcare providers in another relevant specialty	300	1	300	.1666	50
Total					100

¹There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions and completing the questionnaire.

Dated: January 3, 2006.

Jeffrey Shuren,

Assistant Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 2005N-0507]

Agency Emergency Processing Under Office of Management and Budget Review; Guidance on Informed Consent for *In Vitro* Diagnostic Device Studies Using Leftover Human Specimens That are Not Individually Identifiable

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a proposed collection of information has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for emergency processing under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (the PRA). FDA believes, and is preparing a guidance document explaining, that it is possible in certain circumstances for *In Vitro* Diagnostic (IVD) device studies to be conducted using leftover specimens obtained without informed consent while protecting the human subjects who are

the source of such specimens. This notice solicits comments on the proposed collection of information associated with the guidance document entitled "Guidance on Informed Consent for *In Vitro* Diagnostic Device Studies Using Leftover Human Specimens that are Not Individually Identifiable."

DATES: Fax written comments on the collection of information by February 8, 2006. FDA is requesting approval of this emergency processing by January 17, 2006.

ADDRESSES: OMB is still experiencing significant delays in the regular mail, including first class and express mail, and messenger deliveries are not being accepted. To ensure that comments on the information collection are received, OMB recommends that written comments be faxed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attn: Fumie Yokota, Desk Officer for FDA, FAX: 202-395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denver Presley, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA-250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 16B-26, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1472.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FDA has requested emergency processing of this proposed collection of information under section 3507(j) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3507(j)) and 5 CFR 1320.13. The Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) intends to issue a guidance document that addresses an immediate need of the research community. CDRH's guidance will identify the circumstances when the agency intends to exercise enforcement discretion regarding the informed consent requirements. These

requirements normally apply to all FDA-regulated clinical studies, including studies using only leftover human specimens that are not individually identifiable. The agency intends to issue this guidance because the existing requirements are bringing a halt to a class of very valuable research that can produce new diagnostic tests, without appreciably adding protection for human subjects.

With respect to the following proposed collection of information, FDA invites comments on the following topics: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FDA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FDA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

Guidance on Informed Consent for *In Vitro* Diagnostic Device Studies Using Leftover Human Specimens That are Not Individually Identifiable

FDA's investigational device regulations are intended to encourage the development of new, useful devices in a manner that is consistent with public health, safety, and with ethical standards. Investigators should have freedom to pursue the least burdensome means of accomplishing this goal. However, to ensure that the balance is maintained between product

development and the protection of public health, safety, and ethical standards, FDA has established human subject protection regulations addressing requirements for informed consent and institutional review board (IRB) review that apply to all FDA-regulated clinical investigations involving human subjects. In particular, informed consent requirements further both safety and ethical considerations by allowing potential subjects to consider both the physical and privacy risks they face if they agree to participate in a trial.

Under FDA regulations, clinical investigations using human specimens conducted in support of premarket submissions to FDA are considered human subject investigations (see 21 CFR 812.3(p)). Many IVD device studies are exempt from most provisions of part 812 (21 CFR part 812), Investigational Device Exemptions (IDEs), under § 812.2(c)(3), but FDA's regulations for the protection of human subjects (parts 50 and 56 (21 CFR parts 50 and 56)) apply to all clinical investigations that are regulated by FDA (see §§ 50.1 and 56.101, and section 520(g)(3)(A) and (g)(3)(D) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360j(g)(3)(A) and (g)(3)(D))).

FDA regulations do not contain exceptions from the requirements of informed consent on the grounds that

the specimens are not identifiable or that they are remnants of human specimens collected for routine clinical care or analysis that would otherwise have been discarded. Nor do FDA regulations allow IRBs to decide whether or not to waive informed consent for research involving leftover or unidentifiable specimens.

FDA intends to notify the public, in a level 1 guidance document issued under the good guidances practices regulation (21 CFR 10.115), of the circumstances in which it intends to exercise enforcement discretion as to the informed consent regulations for clinical investigators, sponsors, and IRBs. In the guidance document, FDA recommends that sponsors of studies that meet the conditions maintain documentation of how these conditions were met and of the types of human subject protection procedures followed by the specimen provider to ensure that the subject cannot be identified.

Sponsors that wish to follow the recommendations of the guidance will substitute use of records to demonstrate conformance to this enforcement discretion policy in place of the more detailed and patient-specific records for obtaining and documenting informed consent. Most fundamentally, this means collecting and maintaining information about the protections that are in place to prevent the identification

of the specimens, since making sure that the specimens are not identifiable is key to obtaining FDA's enforcement discretion.

FDA intends to exercise enforcement discretion when all the following are true:

- The investigation meets the IDE exemption criteria at § 812.2(c)(3);
 - The study uses leftover specimens, that is, remnants of specimens collected for routine clinical care or analysis that would have been discarded if not used in the study;
 - The specimens provided to the investigator are accompanied by only minimal clinical information such as age, gender, and existing laboratory result;
 - The specimens are not individually identifiable;
 - The specimens are provided to the investigator(s) without identifiers and the supplier of the specimens has established policies and procedures to prevent the release of personal information;
 - The individuals caring for the patients are different from, and do not share information with, those conducting the investigation; and
 - The study has been reviewed by an IRB in accordance with 21 CFR part 56.
- FDA estimates the burden of this collection of information as follows:

TABLE 1.—ESTIMATED ANNUAL RECORDKEEPING BURDEN¹

No. of Recordkeepers	Annual Frequency per Record	Total Annual Records	Hours per Record	Total Hours
600	1	600	4	2,400

¹There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection of information.

The recommendations of this guidance impose a minimal burden on industry. FDA estimates that 600 studies will be affected annually. Each study will result in one recordkeeping per year, estimated to take 4 hours to complete. This results in a total recordkeeping burden of 2,400 hours (600 × 4 = 2,400).

Dated: January 3, 2006.

Jeffrey Shuren,

Assistant Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket Nos. 2005M-0320, 2005M-0289, 2005M-0387, 2005M-0270, 2005M-0379, 2005M-0388, 2005M-0284, 2005M-0283, 2005M-0328, 2005M-0308, 2005M-0380, 2005M-0321, 2005M-0339, 2005M-0359, 2005M-0382, 2005M-0381, 2005M-0378]

Medical Devices; Availability of Safety and Effectiveness Summaries for Premarket Approval Applications

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is publishing a list of premarket approval applications (PMAs) that have been approved. This list is intended to inform the public of

the availability of safety and effectiveness summaries of approved PMAs through the Internet and the agency's Division of Dockets Management.

ADDRESSES: Submit written requests for copies of summaries of safety and effectiveness to the Division of Dockets Management (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Please cite the appropriate docket number as listed in table 1 of this document when submitting a written request. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for electronic access to the summaries of safety and effectiveness.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nicole Wolanski, Center for Devices and Radiological Health (HFZ-402), Food and Drug Administration, 9200

Corporate Blvd., Rockville, MD 20850, 301-594-2186.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In the **Federal Register** of January 30, 1998 (63 FR 4571), FDA published a final rule that revised 21 CFR 814.44(d) and 814.45(d) to discontinue individual publication of PMA approvals and denials in the **Federal Register**. Instead, the agency now posts this information on the Internet on FDA's home page at <http://www.fda.gov>. FDA believes that this procedure expedites public notification of these actions because announcements can be placed on the Internet more quickly than they can be published in the **Federal Register**, and FDA believes that the Internet is

accessible to more people than the **Federal Register**.

In accordance with section 515(d)(4) and (e)(2) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 360e(d)(4) and (e)(2)), notification of an order approving, denying, or withdrawing approval of a PMA will continue to include a notice of opportunity to request review of the order under section 515(g) of the act. The 30-day period for requesting reconsideration of an FDA action under § 10.33(b) (21 CFR 10.33(b)) for notices announcing approval of a PMA begins on the day the notice is placed on the Internet. Section 10.33(b) provides that FDA may, for good cause, extend this 30-day period. Reconsideration of a denial or withdrawal of approval of a

PMA may be sought only by the applicant; in these cases, the 30-day period will begin when the applicant is notified by FDA in writing of its decision.

The regulations provide that FDA publish a quarterly list of available safety and effectiveness summaries of PMA approvals and denials that were announced during that quarter. The following is a list of approved PMAs for which summaries of safety and effectiveness were placed on the Internet from July 1, 2005, through September 30, 2005. There were no denial actions during this period. The list provides the manufacturer's name, the product's generic name or the trade name, and the approval date.

TABLE 1.—LIST OF SAFETY AND EFFECTIVENESS SUMMARIES FOR APPROVED PMAS MADE AVAILABLE FROM JULY 1, 2005, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2005

PMA No./Docket No.	Applicant	Trade name	Approval date
P040043/2005M-0320	W.L. Gore & Associates, Inc.	GORE TAG THORACIC ENDOPROSTHESIS	March 23, 2005
P030035(S3)/2005M-0289	St. Jude Medical	FRONTIER MODEL 5508L AND FRONTIER II MODEL 5586 CARDIAC RESYNCHRONIZATION THERAPY PACEMAKERS (CRT-P) SUPPORTED ON THE MODEL 3510 PROGRAMMER PLATFORMS WITH THE MODEL 3307, V4.8M PROGRAMMER SOFTWARE	April 29, 2005
P040005/2005M-0387	DakoCytomation Denmark A/S	DAKOCYTOMATION HER2 FISH PHARMDX KIT	May 3, 2005
P030049/2005M-0270	Bayer Healthcare, LLC	ADVIA CENTAUR HBSAG READY PACK REAGENTS/CONFIRMATORY READY PACK REAGENTS/QUALITY CONTROL MATERIAL	May 26, 2005
P040037/2005M-0379	W.L. Gore & Associates, Inc.	VIABAHN ENDOPROSTHESIS	June 14, 2005
P040011/2005M-0388	DakoCytomation California, Inc.	DAKOCYTOMATION C-KIT PHARMDX	June 27, 2005
P950042(S3)/2005M-0284	Xillix Technologies Corp.	ONCO-LIFE ENDOSCOPIC LIGHT SOURCE AND VIDEO CAMERA	June 30, 2005
P970003(S50)/2005M-0283	Cyberonics, Inc.	VNS THERAPY SYSTEM	July 15, 2005
P030004/2005M-0328	Micro Therapeutics, Inc.	ONYX LIQUID EMBOLIC SYSTEM	July 21, 2005
H050001/2005M-0308	Boston Scientific Smart	WINGSPAN STENT SYSTEM WITH GATEWAY PTA BALLOON CATHETER	August 3, 2005
P030036/2005M-0380	Medtronic, Inc.	MEDTRONIC SELECTSECURE	August 3, 2005
P040021/2005M-0321	St. Jude Medical, Inc.	SJM BIOCOR VALVE/SJM BICOR SUPRA VALVE	August 5, 2005
P040039/2005M-0339	Orthometrix, Inc.	ORBASONE PAIN RELIEF SYSTEM	August 10, 2005

TABLE 1.—LIST OF SAFETY AND EFFECTIVENESS SUMMARIES FOR APPROVED PMAS MADE AVAILABLE FROM JULY 1, 2005, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2005—Continued

PMA No./Docket No.	Applicant	Trade name	Approval date
P040044/2005M-0359	Access Closure, Inc.	MATRIX VSG SYSTEM MODEL MX-100	August 17, 2005
P930016(S21)/2005M-0382	Visx, Inc.	STAR S4 IR EXCIMER LASER SYSTEM WITH VARIABLE SPOT SCANNING (VSS)	August 30, 2005
P040038/2005M-0381	Abbott Vascular Devices	XACT CAROTID STENT SYSTEM	September 6, 2005
P930014(S15)/2005M-0378	Alcon Laboratories	ACRYSOF TORIC POSTERIOR CHAMBER INTRAOCULAR LENS	September 14, 2005

II. Electronic Access

Persons with access to the Internet may obtain the documents at <http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/pmapage.html>.

Dated: December 20, 2005.

Linda S. Kahan,

Deputy Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

Cellular, Tissue and Gene Therapies Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). At least one portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

Name of Committee: Cellular, Tissue and Gene Therapies Advisory Committee.

General Function of the Committee: To provide advice and recommendations to the agency on FDA's regulatory issues.

Date and Time: The meeting will be held on February 9, 2006, from 8 a.m. to approximately 5:30 p.m. and on February 10, 2006, from 8 a.m. to approximately 1 p.m.

Location: Gaithersburg Hilton, 620 Perry Pkwy., Gaithersburg, MD.

Contact Person: Gail Dapolito or Rosanna L. Harvey, Food and Drug Administration, 1401 Rockville Pike (HFM-71), Rockville, MD 20852, 301-827-0314 or FDA Advisory Committee Information Line, 1-800-741-8138 (301)-443-0572 in the Washington, DC area, code 301-451-2389. Please call

the Information Line for up-to-date information on this meeting.

Agenda: On February 9, 2006, in open session, the committee will conduct a scientific discussion of potency measurements for cellular and gene transfer products. On February 10, in open session, the committee will (1) Discuss the National Toxicology Program on Retroviral Mutagenesis and (2) receive a brief update on the recent review of the research program of the Office of Cellular, Tissue and Gene Therapies, FDA.

Procedure: On February 9, 2006, from 8 a.m. to approximately 5:30 p.m., and on February 10, 2006, from 8 a.m. to approximately 11:30 a.m., the meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person by February 2, 2006. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled between approximately 1:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. on February 9, 2006, and between approximately 9:40 a.m. and 10:10 a.m. on February 10, 2006. Time allotted for each presentation may be limited. Those desiring to make formal oral presentations should notify the contact person before February 2, 2006, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time requested to make their presentation.

Closed Committee Deliberations: On February 10, 2006, from approximately 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., the meeting will be closed to permit discussion and review of trade secret and/or confidential information (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4)); and where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6)). The committee will discuss the report of the Research Subcommittee of the

Cellular, Tissue and Gene Therapies Advisory Committee related to a review of the research program in the Office of Cellular, Tissue and Gene Therapies.

Persons attending FDA's advisory committee meetings are advised that the agency is not responsible for providing access to electrical outlets.

FDA welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Gail Dapolito at least 7 days in advance of the meeting.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2).

Dated: January 3, 2006.

Jason Brodsky,

Acting Associate Commissioner for External Relations.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 2005D-0468]

Draft Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff; Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Herpes Simplex Virus Types 1 and 2 Serological Assays; Availability

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of the draft guidance entitled "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Herpes Simplex Virus Types 1 and 2 Serological Assays." This draft guidance document

describes a means by which herpes simplex virus types 1 and/or 2 (HSV 1 and/or 2) serological assays may comply with the requirement of special controls for class II devices. Elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**, FDA is publishing a proposed rule to reclassify these devices from class III into class II (special controls).

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on this draft guidance by April 10, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit written requests for single copies on a 3.5" diskette of the draft guidance document entitled "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Herpes Simplex Virus Types 1 and 2 Serological Assays" to the Division of Small Manufacturers, International, and Consumer Assistance (HFZ-220), Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration, 1350 Piccard Dr., Rockville, MD 20850. Send one self-addressed adhesive label to assist that office in processing your request, or fax your request to 301-443-8818. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for information on electronic access to the guidance.

Submit written comments concerning this draft guidance to the Division of Dockets Management (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Submit electronic comments to <http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments>. Identify comments with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sally Hojvat, Center for Devices and Radiological Health (HFZ-440), Food and Drug Administration, 9200 Corporate Blvd., Rockville, MD 20850, 301-594-2096.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

FDA developed this draft guidance document as a special control to support the classification of in vitro diagnostic devices for the laboratory diagnosis of herpes simplex virus (HSV) infection into class II (special controls). HSV (types 1 and/or 2) serological assays are intended for testing specimens from individuals who have signs and symptoms of infection consistent with HSV 1 and/or 2; determining if an individual has been previously infected with HSV 1 and/or 2; or providing epidemiological information about these infections. The detection of these antibodies aids in the clinical diagnosis of an infection by HSV 1 and/or 2 in conjunction with other clinical laboratory findings.

This draft guidance document identifies the classification regulation and product codes for HSV 1 and/or 2 serological assays. In addition, other sections of this guidance document list the risks to health identified by FDA and describe measures that, if followed by manufacturers and combined with the general controls, will generally address the risks associated with these assays and lead to a timely premarket notification (510(k)) review and clearance. This document supplements other FDA documents regarding the specific content of a premarket notification submission.

II. Significance of Guidance

This draft guidance is being issued consistent with FDA's good guidance practices regulation (21 CFR 10.115). The draft guidance, when finalized, will represent the agency's current thinking on class II special controls for HSV 1 and/or 2 serological assays. It does not create or confer any rights for or on any person and does not operate to bind FDA or the public. An alternative approach may be used if such approach satisfies the requirements of the applicable statute and regulations.

III. Electronic Access

To receive "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Herpes Simplex Virus Types 1 and 2 Serological Assays" by fax machine, call the CDRH Facts-On-Demand system at 800-899-0381 or 301-827-0111 from a touch-tone telephone. Press 1 to enter the system. At the second voice prompt, press 1 to order a document. Enter the document number (1305) followed by the pound sign (#). Follow the remaining voice prompts to complete your request.

To receive "Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Herpes Simplex Virus Types 1 and 2 Serological Assays," you may either send a fax request to 301-443-8818 to receive a hard copy of the document, or send an e-mail request to gwa@cdhrh.fda.gov to receive a hard copy or an electronic copy. Please use the document number (1305) to identify the guidance you are requesting.

Persons interested in obtaining a copy of the draft guidance may also do so by using the Internet. CDRH maintains an entry on the Internet for easy access to information including text, graphics, and files that may be downloaded to a personal computer with Internet access. Updated on a regular basis, the CDRH home page includes device safety alerts, **Federal Register** reprints, information on premarket submissions (including lists of approved applications and manufacturers' addresses), small

manufacturer's assistance, information on video conferencing and electronic submissions, Mammography Matters, and other device-oriented information. The CDRH Web site may be accessed at <http://www.fda.gov/cdrh>. A search capability for all CDRH guidance documents is available at <http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/guidance.html>. Guidance documents are also available on the Division of Dockets Management Internet site at <http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets>.

IV. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This draft guidance refers to previously approved collections of information found in FDA regulations. These collections of information are subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520). The collections of information in 21 CFR 807.87 have been approved under OMB Control No. 0910-0120; the collections of information in 21 CFR 801.109 have been approved under OMB Control No. 0910-0485.

V. Comments

Interested persons may submit to the Division of Dockets Management (see **ADDRESSES**), written or electronic comments regarding this document. Submit a single copy of electronic comments or two paper copies of any mailed comments, except that individuals may submit one paper copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Comments received may be seen in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Dated: December 21, 2005.

Linda S. Kahan,

Deputy Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 2004D-0156]

International Cooperation on Harmonization of Technical Requirements for Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products; Final Guidance for Industry on Environmental Impact Assessments for Veterinary Medicinal Products—Phase II; Availability

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of a guidance document for industry (#166) entitled “Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA’s) for Veterinary Medicinal Products (VMP’s)—Phase II” (VICH GL38). This guidance has been developed for veterinary use by the International Cooperation on Harmonization of Technical Requirements for Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products (VICH). This VICH guidance document provides recommendations for internationally harmonized test methods used to generate environmental fate and toxicity data.

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments at any time.

ADDRESSES: Submit written requests for single copies of the guidance to the Communications Staff (HFV-12), Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM), Food and Drug Administration, 7519 Standish Pl., Rockville, MD 20855. Send one self-addressed adhesive label to assist that office in processing your requests. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for electronic access to the guidance document.

Submit written comments on the guidance to the Division of Dockets Management (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Submit electronic comments to <http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments>. Comments should be identified with the full title of the guidance and the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles E. Eirkson, Center for Veterinary Medicine (HFV-145), Food and Drug Administration, 7500 Standish Pl., Rockville, MD 20855, 301-827-6958, e-mail: ceirkson@cvm.fda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In recent years, many important initiatives have been undertaken by regulatory authorities and industry associations to promote the international harmonization of regulatory requirements. FDA has participated in efforts to enhance harmonization and has expressed its commitment to seek scientifically based harmonized technical procedures for the development of pharmaceutical products. One of the goals of harmonization is to identify and then reduce differences in technical requirements for drug development among regulatory agencies in different countries.

FDA has actively participated in the International Conference on Harmonization of Technical Requirements for Approval of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use for several years to develop harmonized technical requirements for the approval of human pharmaceutical and biological products among the European Union, Japan, and the United States. The VICH is a parallel initiative for veterinary medicinal products. The VICH is concerned with developing harmonized technical requirements for the approval of veterinary medicinal products in the European Union, Japan, and the United States, and includes input from both regulatory and industry representatives.

The VICH Steering Committee is composed of member representatives from the European Commission; European Medicines Evaluation Agency; European Federation of Animal Health; Committee on Veterinary Medicinal Products; FDA; the U.S. Department of Agriculture; the Animal Health Institute; the Japanese Veterinary Pharmaceutical Association; the Japanese Association of Veterinary Biologics; and the Japanese Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

The following four observers are eligible to participate in the VICH Steering Committee: One representative from the government of Australia/New Zealand, one representative from the industry in Australia/New Zealand, one representative from the government of Canada, and one representative from the industry of Canada. The VICH Secretariat, which coordinates the preparation of documentation, is provided by the International Federation for Animal Health (IFAH). An IFAH representative also participates in the VICH Steering Committee meetings.

II. Guidance on Environmental Impact Assessments

In the **Federal Register** of April 21, 2004 (69 FR 21552), FDA published the notice of availability of the VICH draft guidance, giving interested persons until May 21, 2004, to submit comments. After consideration of comments received, the draft guidance was changed in response to the comments and submitted to the VICH Steering Committee. At a meeting held on October 2004, the VICH Steering Committee endorsed the final guidance for industry (VICH GL38). The aim of the guidance is to assess the potential for VMPs to affect nontarget species in the environment, including both aquatic and terrestrial species. It is not possible to evaluate the effects of VMPs on every species in the environment that may be exposed to the VMP following its administration to the target species. The species tested are intended to serve as surrogates or indicators for the range of species present in the environment.

This Phase II guidance contains sections for each of the major branches: (1) Aquaculture; (2) intensively reared terrestrial animals; and (3) pasture animals, each containing decision trees pertaining to the branch. The document also contains a section listing the recommended tests for physical/chemical properties, environmental fate and environmental effects, as well as a recommendation of how to determine when tests may be relevant.

In the United States, the environmental impact of VMPs is determined under the requirements established by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations (40 CFR part 1500 and 21 CFR part 25) and under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360b(d)). Under NEPA, an environmental assessment (EA) is conducted to determine whether a VMP may have a significant environmental impact. A particular VMP may be categorically excluded from the requirement of an EA, or it may require an EA, an environmental impact statement, or both.

Information collection is covered under Office of Management and Budget control number 0910-0032.

III. Significance of Guidance

This document, developed under the VICH process, has been revised to conform to FDA’s good guidance practices regulation (21 CFR 10.115). For example, the document has been designated “guidance” rather than “guideline.” Because guidance

documents are not binding, mandatory words such as “must,” “shall,” and “will” in the original VICH document have been substituted with “should.” Similarly, words such as “require” or “requirement” have been replaced by “recommend” or “recommendation” as appropriate to the context.

This VICH guidance (#166) represents the agency’s current thinking on the conduct of environmental impact assessments for veterinary medicinal products proposed for marketing in the European Union, Japan, and the United States. This guidance does not create or confer any rights for or on any person and will not operate to bind FDA or the public. You may use an alternative method as long as it satisfies the requirements of applicable statutes and regulations.

IV. Comments

As with all of FDA’s guidances, the public is encouraged to submit written or electronic comments pertinent to this guidance. FDA will periodically review the comments in the docket and, where appropriate, will amend the guidance. The agency will notify the public of any such amendments through a notice in the **Federal Register**.

Interested persons may submit to the Division of Dockets Management (see **ADDRESSES**) written or electronic comments regarding this document. Submit a single copy of electronic comments or two paper copies of any mailed comments, except that individuals may submit one paper copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Received comments may be seen in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

V. Electronic Access

Copies of the guidance document entitled “Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA’s) for Veterinary Medicinal Products (VMP’s)—Phase II” (VICH GL38) may be obtained on the Internet from the CVM home page at <http://www.fda.gov/cvm>.

Dated: December 23, 2005.

Jeffrey Shuren,

Assistant Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92–463), notice is hereby given that the following committee will convene its fifty-second meeting.

Name: National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services.

Dates and Times: January 29, 2006, 2 p.m.–5:15 p.m.; January 30, 2006, 8:45 a.m.–4:45 p.m.; January 31, 2006, 8:30 a.m.–11:15 a.m.

Place: Jurys Washington Hotel, 1500 New Hampshire Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20036, Phone: 202–483–6000.

Status: The meeting will be open to the public.

Purpose: The National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary with respect to the delivery, research, development and administration of health and human services in rural areas.

Agenda: Sunday afternoon, January 29, at 2 p.m., the Chairperson, the Honorable David Beasley, will open the meeting and welcome the Committee. The first session will open with a discussion of the Committee business and a review of the 2006 report to the Secretary. This will be followed by a session on the role of HHS in connecting the three 2007 report topics by Elizabeth M. Duke, Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration. Jack Kalavritinos, HHS Office of Intergovernmental Affairs has also been invited to speak on these three topics. The three topics for the 2007 report are as follows: Medicare Advantage, Substance Abuse and Head Start. The final two sessions of the day will be an overview of Medicare Advantage in rural communities and an overview of substance abuse in rural communities. The Sunday meeting will close at 5:15 p.m.

Monday morning, January 30, at 8:45 a.m. the meeting will begin with an overview of Head Start in rural communities. The next three sessions will look at the three topics from a research perspective. Speakers will include Keith Mueller from the Rural Policy Research Institute; Peggy Halpern and Ann McCormick from ASPE (Assistant Secretary for Planning and

Evaluation, HHS); David Hartley with Maine Rural Health Research Center; and Maria Woolverton, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation at the Administration for Children and Families. The final two sessions of the day will consist of an update on Washington by the National Rural Health Association and the appointment of Subcommittees for the 2007 report. The Monday meeting will close at 4:45 p.m.

The final session will be convened Tuesday morning, January 31, at 8:30 a.m. The Committee will break into Subcommittee format to discuss the chapter outlines and timelines. The meeting will conclude with a discussion of the June meeting. The meeting will be adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anyone requiring information regarding the Committee should contact Tom Morris, M.P.A., Executive Secretary, National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Parklawn Building, Room 9A–55, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, telephone (301) 443–0835, Fax (301) 443–2803.

Persons interested in attending any portion of the meeting should contact Michele Pray-Gibson, Office of Rural Health Policy (ORHP), telephone (301) 443–0835. The Committee meeting agenda will be posted on ORHP’s Web site <http://www.ruralhealth.hrsa.gov>.

Dated: December 29, 2005.

Tina M. Cheatham,

Director, Division of Policy Review and Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Cancer Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant

applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel, Innovative Technologies for the Molecular Analysis of Cancer.

Date: March 22–23, 2006.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Gaithersburg Hilton, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, MD 20877.

Contact Person: Sherwood Githens, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Special Review and Logistics Branch, National Cancer Institute, Division of Extramural Activities, 6116 Executive Blvd. Room 8053, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301/435–1822, githenss@mail.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.392, Cancer Construction; 93.393, Cancer Cause and Prevention Research; 93.394, Cancer Detection and Diagnosis Research; 93.395, Cancer Treatment Research; 93.396, Cancer Biology Research; 93.397, Cancer Centers Support; 93.398, Cancer Research Manpower; 93.399, Cancer Control, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 28, 2005.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Cancer Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the meeting of the President's Cancer Panel.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(9)(B), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended, because the premature disclosure of information and the discussions would likely to significantly frustrate implementation of recommendations.

Name of Committee: President's Cancer Panel.

Date: January 24, 2006.

Time: 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Agenda: The Panel will discuss the 2005/2006 Annual Report and plan for the next meeting series in 2006–2007. The premature disclosure of these discussions would result in the release of proprietary information.

Place: National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, Office of the Director, 6116 Executive Blvd., Suite 212, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Teleconference).

Contact Person: Abby Sandler, PhD, Executive Secretary, National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, Building 6116, Room 212, 6116 Executive Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301/451–9399.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the comments to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The comments should include the name, address, telephone number and, when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: deainfo.nci.nih.gov/advisory/pcp/pcp.htm, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.392, Cancer Construction; 93.393, Cancer Cause and Prevention Research; 93.394, Cancer Detection and Diagnosis Research; 93.395, Cancer Treatment Research; 93.396, Cancer Biology Research; 93.397, Cancer Centers Support; 93.398, Cancer Research Manpower; 93.399, Cancer Control, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Center for Research Resources; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Center for Research Resources, Special Emphasis Panel.
Date: January 24, 2006.

Time: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, One Democracy Plaza, 6701 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Guo Zhang, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, National Center for Research Resources/OR, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Democracy Boulevard, 1 Democracy Plaza, Rm. 1064, Bethesda, MD 20892–4874. 301–435–0812.
zhanggu@mail.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, Comparative Medicine; 93.333, Clinical Research; 93.371, Biomedical Technology; 93.389, Research Infrastructure; 93.306, 93.333, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICE

National Institutes of Health

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institutes; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Advisory Council.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space Available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Heart, Lung, and Blood Advisory Council.

Date: February 1, 2006.

Open: 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: Discussion of program policies and issues.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Deborah P. Beebe, PhD, Director, Division of Extramural Affairs, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health, Two Rockledge Center, Room 7100, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892. 301/435-0260.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

In the interest of security, NIH has instituted stringent procedures for entrance into the building by non-government employees. Persons without a government I.D. will need to show a photo I.D. and sign-in at the security desk upon entering the building.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: <http://www.nhibi.nih.gov/meetings/index.htm>, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance program Nos. 93.233, National Center for Sleep Disorders Research; 93.837, Heart and Vascular Diseases Research; 93.838, Lung Diseases Research; 93.839, Blood Diseases and Resources Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institutes of Dental & Craniofacial Research; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research Special

Emphasis Panel, 06-34, Review PAR05-031, Oral manifestation HIV/AIDS.

Date: February 7, 2006.

Time: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Holiday Inn Select Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Peter Zelazowski, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Inst of Dental & Craniofacial Research, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892-6402. 301-593-4861. peter.zelazowski@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research Special Emphasis Panel, 06-35, Review Clinical U01s (Group 1).

Date: February 15, 2006.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Lynn M. King, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, 45 Center Dr., Rm 4AN-32F, National Inst of Dental & Craniofacial Research, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892-6402. 301-594-5006. lynn.king@nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.121, Oral Diseases and Disorders Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Research; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: NIDCR Special Grants Review Committee, 06-53, Review R03s, Ks, Fs.

Date: February 16-17, 2006.

Time: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Soheyla Saadi, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, 45 Center Dr., Room 4AN32A, National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Research, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-594-4805, saadisoh@nidcr.nih.gov

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors, NIAMS. The meeting will be closed to the public as indicated below in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended for the review, discussion, and evaluation of individual intramural programs and projects conducted by the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, including consideration of personnel qualifications and performance, and the competence of individual investigators, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Board of Scientific Counselors, NIAMS.

Date: January 23-24, 2006.

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Room 4C32, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paul H. Plotz, Acting Scientific Director, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, Building 10, Room 9N244,

Bethesda, MD 20892. 301 496-1474.
Plotzp@mail.nih.gov.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

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Anna Snouffer,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Research; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Advisory Dental and Craniofacial Research Council.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and/or contract proposals and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications and/or contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Dental and Craniofacial Research Council.

Date: January 23, 2006.

Open: 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Agenda: Director's Report, Budget Report, Operating Procedures, Training Discussion.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Norman S. Braveman, PhD, Assistant to the Director, NIH-NIDCR, Building 31, Rm. 5B55, Bethesda, MD 20892. 301-594-2089. *norman.braveman@nih.gov.*

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: *http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/about*, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.121, Oral Diseases and Disorders Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 30, 2005.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke Special Emphasis Panel, Specialized Neuroscience Research Program Review.

Date: January 10-12, 2006.

Time: 7 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: The Excelsior Hotel, 45 West 81st Street, New York, NY 10024.

Contact Person: Phillip F. Wiethorn, Scientific Review Administrator, DHHS/NIH/NINDS/DER/SRB, 6001 Executive Boulevard; MSC 9529, Neuroscience Center; Room 3203,

Bethesda, MD 20892-9529. (301) 496-5388., *wiethorp@ninds.nih.gov.*

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.853, Clinical Research Related to Neurological Disorders; 93.854, Biological Basis Research in the Neurosciences, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 30, 2005.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke.

The meeting will be closed to the public as indicated below in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended for the review, discussion, and evaluation of individual intramural programs and projects conducted by the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, including consideration of personnel qualifications and performance, and the competence of individual investigators, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Board of Scientific Counselors, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke.

Date: January 29-31, 2006.

Time: January 29, 2006, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

Place: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Time: January 30, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Conference Room A, Rockville, MD 20852.

Time: January 30, 2006, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

Place: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Time: January 31, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

Place: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Story C. Landis, PhD, Director, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, NIH, 31 Center Drive, Building 31, Room 8A52, Bethesda, MD 20892. 301-496-9746.

landiss@ninds.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.853, Clinical Research Related to Neurological Disorders; 93.854, Biological Basis Research in the Neurosciences, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council.

Date: January 17, 2006.

Open: 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: This meeting will be open to the public to discuss administrative details relating to Council business and special reports.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Cheryl Kitt, PhD, Director, Extramural Program, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, 1 Democracy Blvd., Suite 800, Bethesda, MD 20892. (301) 594-2463. *kittc@niams.nih.gov.*

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

In the interest of security, NIH has instituted stringent procedures for entrance into the building by non-government employees. Persons without a government I.D. will need to show a photo I.D. and sign-in at the security desk upon entering the building.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.846, Arthritis, Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 30, 2005.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute on Drug Abuse; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The contract proposals and the discussions could disclose

confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel, Novel Therapy for Marijuana Addiction.

Date: January 11, 2006.

Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6101 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Eric Zatman, Contract Review Specialist, Office of Extramural Affairs, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH, DHHS, Room 220, MSC 8401, 6101 Executive Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892-8401, (301) 435-1438.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.277, Drug Abuse Scientist Development Award for Clinicians, Scientist Development Awards, and Research Scientist Awards; 93.278, Drug Abuse National Research Service Awards for Research Training; 93.279, Drug Abuse Research Programs, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 28, 2005.

Anna Snouffer,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, NIAID Clinical Trail Planning (R34) Grant.

Date: January 23, 2006.

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge 6700, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Room 1202, Bethesda, MD 20817, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Hagit S. David, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, NIAID/NIH/DHHS, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 402-4596, hddavid@niaid.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, NIAID Clinical Trail Planning (R34) Grant.

Date: January 24, 2006.

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge 6700, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Room 1202, Bethesda, MD 20817, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Barney Duane Price, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Program, DHHS/NIH/NIAID/DEA, Room 2217, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892-7616, 301-496-2550, pricebd@niaid.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.855, Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research; 93.856, Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 29, 2005.

Anna Snouffer,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of General Medical Sciences; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

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applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of General Medical Sciences Special Emphasis Panel; Large-Scale Collaborative Project Awards.

Date: January 16, 2006.

Time: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, 3AN-12F, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Helen R. Sunshine, PhD, Chief, Office of Scientific Review, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, Room 1AS-13, Bethesda, MD 20892. 301-594-2881.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.375, Minority Biomedical Research Support; 93.821, Cell Biology and Biophysics Research; 93.859, Pharmacology, Physiology, and Biological Chemistry Research; 93.862, Genetics and Developmental Biology Research; 93.88, Minority Access to Research Careers; 93.96, Special Minority Initiatives, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 29, 2005

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Children's Study Advisory Committee.

The meeting will be open to the public, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

Name of Committee: National Children's Study Advisory Committee.

Date: January 24-25, 2006.

Time: 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Agenda: For questions or to register, please call Circle Solutions at (703) 902-1139 or via

the Web site <http://www.circlesolutions.com/ncs/ncsac>. Registration deadline is January 17, 2006. Content will include sample design, environmental exposures, pre-pregnancy and pregnancy protocol development, sharing of study section information, informed consent, and community engagement.

Place: Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian Center, 9751 Washingtonian Blvd., Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

Contact Person: Marion Balsam, MD, Executive Secretary, National Children's Study Advisory Committee, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892. 301-594-9147.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.864, Population Research; 93.865, Research for Mothers and Children; 93.929, Center for Medical Rehabilitation Research; 93.209, Contraception and Infertility Loan Repayment Program, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council.

The meetings will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council.

Date: January 30, 2006.

Open: 10:30 a.m. to 11:40 p.m.

Agenda: Report from the Institute Director and a presentation entitled Lesson from the Swine Flu Affair.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 11:40 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892-7610. 301-435-8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council; Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Subcommittee.

Date: January 30, 2006.

Closed: 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms F1/F2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: Report from the Division Director and other staff reports.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms F1/F2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892-7610. 301-435-8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council; Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Subcommittee.

Date: January 30, 2006.

Closed: 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms A, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: Program advisory discussions and reports from division staff.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892-7610. 301-435-8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council; Allergy, Immunology and Transplantation Subcommittee.

Date: January 30, 2006.

Closed: 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Room D, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: Report from the Division Director and other staff reports.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Room D, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892-7610. 301-435-8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council.

Date: May 22, 2006.

Open: 10:30 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.

Agenda: Report from Institute Director and The Director, Vaccine Research Center.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 11:40 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892-7610. 301-435-8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council; Allergy, Immunology and Transplantation Subcommittee.

Date: May 22, 2006.

Closed: 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Room D, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: Report from the Division Director and other staff reports.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Room D, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892-7610. 301-435-8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council; Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Subcommittee.

Date: May 22, 2006.

Closed: 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, Conference Rooms F1/F2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: Report from the Division Director and other staff reports.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms F1/F2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892-7610. 301-435-8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council; Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Subcommittee.

Date: May 22, 2006.

Closed: 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher, 45 Center Drive, Conference Room A, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: Program advisory discussions and reports from division staff.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892-7610. 301-435-8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council.

Date: September 18, 2006.

Open: 10:30 a.m. to 11:40 p.m.

Agenda: Report from the Institute Director and the Director, Division of Intramural Research.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 11:40 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant application and/or proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892-7610. 301-435-8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council; Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Subcommittee.

Date: September 18, 2005.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference A, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: Program advisory discussions and reports from division.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892–7610. 301–435–8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council; Allergy, Immunology and Transplantation Subcommittee.

Date: September 18, 2006.

Time: 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Room D, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: Report from the Division Director and other staff reports.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Room D, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892–7610. 301–435–8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Allergy and Infectious Diseases Council; Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Subcommittee.

Date: September 18, 2006.

Closed: 8:30 p.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms F1/F2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: Report from the Division Director and other staff reports.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Room F1/F2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Paula S. Strickland, PhD, Extramural Science Administrator for Special Projects, International Extramural Activities, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7610, Bethesda, MD 20892–7610. 301–435–8563. ps30f@nih.gov.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

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in at the security desk upon entering the building.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: www.niaid.nih.gov/facts/facts.htm, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.855, Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research; 93.856, Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 28, 2005.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel Cooperative Research Partnerships for Biodefense (Meeting 1).

Date: January 23–25, 2006.

Time: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate cooperative agreement applications.

Place: Crowne Plaza Hotel—Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Lincoln Ball Room, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Contact Person: Lynn Rust, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 402–3938, lr228v@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel Cooperative Research Partnerships for Biodefense (Meeting 2).

Date: January 31–February 2, 2006.

Time: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate cooperative agreement applications.

Place: Crowne Plaza Hotel—Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Lincoln Ball Room, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Contact Person: Gary S. Madonna, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496–3528, grn12w@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel “Cooperative Research Partnerships for Biodefense” (Meeting 3).

Date: February 8–10, 2006.

Time: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate cooperative agreement applications.

Place: Crowne Plaza Hotel—Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Lincoln Ball Room, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Contact Person: Lynn Rust, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 402–3938, lr228v@nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.855, Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research; 93.856, Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be open to the public with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

Name of Committee: AIDS Research Advisory Committee, NIAID.

Date: January 30, 2006.

Time: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: Report from the Division Director and other staff.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Rona L. Siskind, Executive Secretary, AIDS Research Advisory Committee, Division of AIDS, NIAID/NIH,

6700B Rockledge Drive, Room 4139, Bethesda, MD 20892-7601, 301-435-3732.

Any member of the public interested in presenting oral comments to the committee may notify the Contact Person listed on this notice at least 10 days in advance of the meeting. Interested individuals and representatives of organizations may submit a letter of intent, a brief description of the organization represented, and a short description of the oral presentation. Only one representative of an organization may be allowed to present oral comments and if accepted by the committee, presentations may be limited to five minutes. Both printed and electronic copies are requested for the record. In addition, any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding their statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

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(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.855, Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research; 93.856, Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special

Emphasis Panel National Biocontainment Laboratories—UC7 Applications.

Date: January 17-18, 2006.

Time: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate cooperative agreement applications.

Place: Double Tree Rockville, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Robert C. Goldman, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, NIH/NIAID/DAIDS/CCRB, Division of AIDS, Room 5226, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7264, Bethesda, MD 20892-7624, 301-496-8424, rg159w@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel Hyperaccelerated Award/Mechanisms in Immunomodulation Trials-2 (January 2006).

Date: January 18, 2006.

Time: 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge 6700, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Room 3256, Bethesda, MD 20817, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Mercy R. PrabhuDas, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, NIAID/NIH/DHHS, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892-7616, 301-451-2615, mp457n@nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.855, Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research; 93.856, Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 28, 2005.

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Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Advisory Child Health and Human Development Council.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the

provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and/or contract proposals and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications and/or contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Child Health and Human Development Council.

Date: January 26, 2006.

Open: 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Agenda: (1) a report by the Director, NICHD; (2) a National Center for Medical Rehabilitation Research Branch presentation; (3) an NICHD International Activities presentation; (4) a presentation of the Subcommittee on Planning and Policy; and other business of the Council.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 6, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 6, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Yvonne T. Maddox, PhD, Deputy Director, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH, 9000 Rockville Pike, MSC 7510, Building 31, Room 2A03, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496-1848.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

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Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: <http://www.nichd.nih.gov/about/nachhd.htm>, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.864, Population Research; 93.865, Research for Mothers and Children; 93.929, Center for Medical Rehabilitation Research; 93.209, Contraception and Infertility Loan Repayment Program, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Mental Health; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting of the National Advisory Mental Health Council.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Mental Health Council.

Date: February 2–3, 2006.

Closed: February 2, 2006, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications and the activities of the NIMH, Intramural Research Programs.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Conference Room C/D/E, Rockville, MD 20852.

Open: February 2, 2006, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: Discussion on NIMH program and policy issues.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Conference Room C/D/E, Rockville, MD 20852.

Open: February 3, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Agenda: Presentation of NIMH Director's report and discussion on NIMH program and policy issues.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31C, 31 Center Drive, 6th Floor, Conference Room 6, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Jane A. Steinberg, PhD, Director, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Mental Health, NIH, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Blvd., Room 6154, MSC 9609, Bethesda, MD 20892–9609. 301–443–5047.

Any member of the public interested in presenting oral comments to the committee may notify the Contact Person listed on this notice at least 10 days in advance of the

meeting. Interested individuals and representatives of organizations may submit a letter of intent, a brief description of the organization represented, and a short description of the oral presentation. Only one representative of an organization may be allowed to present oral comments and if accepted by the committee, presentations may be limited to five minutes. Both printed and electronic copies are requested for the record. In addition, any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding their statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

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Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: <http://www.nimh.nih.gov/council/advis.cfm>, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available. (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.242, Mental Health Research Grants; 93.281, Scientist Development Award, Scientist Development Award for Clinicians, and Research Scientist Award; 93.282, Mental Health National Research Service Awards for Research Training, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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Anna Snouffer,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke; Notice of Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of meetings of the National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council.

The meetings will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections

552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council, Council Training, Career Development, and Special Programs subcommittee.

Date: February 8, 2006.

Open: 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Agenda: To discuss the training programs of the Institute.

Place: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Closed: 9:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Stephen J. Korn, PhD, Training and Special Programs Officer, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes of Health, 6001 Executive Blvd., Suite 2154, MSC 9527, Bethesda, MD 20892–9527. (301) 496–4188.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council, Council Clinical Trials Subcommittee.

Date: February 9, 2006.

Open: 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Agenda: To discuss clinical trials policy.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: John Marler, MD, Associate Director for Clinical Trials, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes of Health, 6001 Executive Blvd., Suite 2216, Bethesda, MD 20892. (301) 496–9135. jm137f@nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council, Council Basic and Preclinical Programs Subcommittee.

Date: February 9, 2006.

Open: 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Agenda: To discuss basic and preclinical programs policy.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 8A–28, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 8A–28, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Robert Baughman, MD, Associated Director for Technology Development, National Institute of

Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes of Health, 6001 Executive Blvd., Suite 2137, MSC 9527, Bethesda, MD 20892–9527. (301) 496–1779.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: <http://www.ninds.nih.gov>, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.853, Clinical Research Related to Neurological Disorders; 93.854, Biological Basis Research in the Neurosciences, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 29, 2005.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and/or contact proposals and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications and/or contact proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council.

Date: February 9–10, 2006.

Open: February 9, 2006, 10:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: Report by the Director, NINDS; Report by the Director, Division of Extramural Research; Overview of the NINDS Intramural Program; scientific presentation,

and other administration and program developments.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: February 9, 2006, 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate the Division of Intramural Research Board of Scientific Counselors' reports.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: February 10, 2006, 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Robert Finkelstein, PhD, Associate Director for Extramural Research, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, NIH, 6001 Executive Blvd., Suite 3309, MSC 9531, Bethesda, MD 20892. (301) 496–9248.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Notice of Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of meetings of the National Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Advisory Council.

The meetings will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Advisory Council.

Date: February 15–16, 2006.

Open: February 15, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: To present the Director's Report and other scientific presentations.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: February 16, 2006, 9:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: February 16, 2006, 10:15 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: Continuation of the Director's Report and other scientific presentations.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Brent B. Stanfield, PhD, Director, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, 6707 Democracy Blvd., Room 715, Bethesda, MD 20892. (301) 594–8843. stanfieldb@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Advisory Council, Diabetes, Endocrinology, and Metabolic Diseases Subcommittee.

Date: February 15–16, 2006.

Open: February 15, 2006, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review the Division's scientific and planning activities.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: February 15, 2006, 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: February 16, 2006, 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: February 16, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Agenda: Continuation of the review of the Division's scientific and planning activities.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Brent B. Stanfield, PhD, Director, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, 6707 Democracy Blvd., Room 715, Bethesda, MD 20892. (301) 594-8843. stanfieldb@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Advisory Council, Digestive Diseases and Nutrition Subcommittee.

Date: February 15-16, 2006.

Open: February 15, 2006, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Agenda: To review the Division's scientific and planning activities.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 9A22, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: February 15, 2006, 3:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 9A22, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: February 16, 2006, 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Agenda: Continuation of the review of the Division's scientific and planning activities.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 9A22, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Brent B. Stanfield, PhD, Director of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, 6707 Democracy Blvd., Room 715, Bethesda, MD 20892. (301) 594-8843. stanfieldb@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Advisory Council, Kidney, Urologic, and Hematologic Diseases Subcommittee.

Date: February 15-16, 2006.

Open: February 15, 2006, 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review the Division's scientific and planning activities.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: February 16, 2006, 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 7, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Brent B. Stanfield, PhD, Director, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, 6707 Democracy Blvd., Room 715, Bethesda, MD 20892. (301) 594-8843. stanfieldb@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding

the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

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(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.847, Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Research; 93.848, Digestive Diseases and Nutrition Research; 93.849, Kidney Diseases, Urology and Hematology Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: December 29, 2005.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

Part N, National Institutes of Health, of the Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority for the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) (40 FR 22859, May 27, 1975, as amended most recently at 69 FR 64081, November 3, 2004, and redesignated from Part HN as part N at 60 FR 56606, November 9, 1995), is amended as set forth below to reflect the reorganization of the Office of the Director, NIH, by transferring the Office of Community Liaison from the Office of the Director (OD) to the Office of Communications and Public Liaison, OD.

Section N-B, *Organization and Functions*, under the heading *Office of the Director (NA, formerly HNA)*, is amended as follows:

(1) Under the heading *Office of Communications and Public Liaison (NA8, formerly HNA8)* insert the following:

Office of Community Liaison (NA85, formerly HNA85). (1) Advises the NIH Director on policies, programs, and issues involving the NIH and the surrounding community; (2) plans and directs activities to promote

collaboration and cooperation between the NIH and the surrounding community; (3) conducts and oversees studies, projects, and evaluations designed to address problems, questions, and issues of community concern and environmental impact; (4) ensures that NIH activities affecting the surrounding community involve community representation at all levels of design, review, and implementation; and (5) ensures effective communication and collaboration on policy and programs involving the surrounding community between the Office of the Director, NIH, and operating components of the NIH.

(2) Delete the *Office of Community Liaison (NAP, formerly HNAP)* in its entirety.

Delegations of Authority: All delegations and redelegations of authority to officers and employees of NIH that were in effect immediately prior to the effective date of this amendment and are consistent with this amendment shall continue in effect, pending further redelegation.

Dated: November 4, 2005.

Elias A. Zerhouni,

Director, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

Part N, National Institutes of Health, of the Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority for the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) (40 FR 22859, May 27, 1975, as amended most recently at 70 FR 61146, October 20, 2005, and redesignated from Part HN as Part N at 60 FR 56606, November 9, 1995), is amended as set forth below to reflect the reorganization of the NIH Ethics Office.

Section N-B, *Organization and Functions*, under the heading *Office of the Director (NA, formerly HNA)*, is amended as follows:

Replace the current section NAT (formerly HNAT) with the following: *NIH Ethics Office (NAT, formerly HNAT).* (1) Provides oversight and strategic direction of NIH activities relating to ethics policy, oversight, and operational activities; (2) develops and administers the NIH policies and procedures for implementing the Government-wide conflict of interest statutes and regulations, the HHS

supplemental conflict of interest regulations, and HHS policies; (3) implements a program for trans-NIH ethics oversight that includes information technology (IT) support systems, periodic reviews, audits, delegations of authority, training, and records management; (4) determines real or potential conflicts of interest and assesses ethical considerations in scientific reporting, clinical trials, and scientific conferences and workshops; and (5) serves as the liaison and coordinates the NIH response to requests from Congress, the Inspector General, HHS, and the Office of Government Ethics, and performs appropriate liaison activities.

IC Operations and Liaison Branch (NAT2, formerly HNAT2). (1) Provides centralized operational services to ICs in the review and processing of: (a) Individual ethics actions and (b) ethics actions having IC-wide impact such as preapproval of awards, blanket approval of widely attended gatherings (WAGs), and handling ethics for OD committees; and (2) provides advisory services in the management of IC ethics reviews.

Policy and Management Review Branch (NAT3, formerly HNAT3). (1) Provides technical review of NIH and IC Ethics Programs and conducts risk assessment; (2) develops NIH-wide policies and procedures to ensure a rigorous NIH Ethics Program; (3) manages ethics delegations of authority; (4) develops and manages content for the NIH Ethics Web site; and (5) provides NIH-wide ethics training to staff.

Delegations of Authority

All delegations and redelegations of authority to officers and employees of NIH that were in effect immediately prior to the effective date of this amendment and are consistent with this amendment shall continue in effect, pending further redelegation.

Dated: November 10, 2005.

Elias A. Zerhouni,

Director, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[CGD08-05-054]

Houston-Galveston Area Maritime Security Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Solicitation for membership.

SUMMARY: Under the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002, the Secretary of Homeland Security has established an Area Maritime Security Committee under the direction of the Houston-Galveston Captain of the Port. The Houston-Galveston Captain of the Port is hereby requesting qualified individuals interested in serving on this committee to apply for membership.

DATES: Requests for membership should reach the Captain of the Port on or before February 8, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Requests for membership should be submitted to MSO Houston-Galveston, AMSC Executive Administrator, 9640 Clinton Drive, Houston TX 77029.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on the Houston-Galveston Area Maritime Security Committee or its charter, contact Ms. Tobi Moore, AMSC Executive Administrator, at (713) 671-5118.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Establishment of Area Maritime Security Advisory Committees

Section 102 of the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA) of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-295) added section 70112 to Title 46 of the U.S. Code, and authorizes the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating to establish Area Maritime Security Advisory Committees (AMS Committees) for any port area of the United States. The MTSA includes a provision exempting these AMS Committees from the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-436, 86 Stat. 470 (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The AMS Committee assists the Captain of the Port in the review and update of the AMS Plan for the Houston, Galveston, Freeport and Texas City area of responsibility. Such matters may include, but are not limited to:

- Identifying critical port infrastructure and operations;
- Identifying risks (threats, vulnerabilities, and consequences);
- Determining mitigation strategies and implementation methods;
- Developing and describing the process to continually evaluate overall port security by considering consequences and vulnerabilities, how they may change over time, and what additional mitigation strategies can be applied; and
- Providing advice to, and assisting the Captain of the Port in, reviewing and updating the Houston-Galveston Area Maritime Security Plan.

This committee meets the last Thursday of odd-numbered months. Subcommittees, work groups and task forces convene between meetings of the

parent committee. AMS Committee meeting location is currently at the Port of Houston Authority, 111 East Loop, Houston, TX at 9 a.m.

AMS Committee Membership

The following appointed membership vacancies currently exist:

Docks & Terminals primary;
Shipyard primary and alternate;
Trucking industry alternate;
Fleets primary;
Harbor tugs primary;
Port of Texas City alternate;
Rail primary;
Barges primary; and
Offshore carriers primary.

Request applicants possess at least 5 years of experience related to maritime or port security operations. Total number of members is determined by the COTP. Applicants may be required to pass an appropriate security background check prior to appointment to the committee.

Members' term of office will be for 5 years. Members are eligible to serve an additional term of office. Members will not receive any salary or other compensation for their service on the AMS Committee.

In support of the policy of the USCG on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

Request for Applications

Those seeking membership are not required to submit formal applications to the local COTP; however, because we do have an obligation to ensure that a specific number of members have the prerequisite maritime security experience, we encourage the submission of résumés highlighting experience in the maritime and security industries.

Dated: December 12, 2005.

R.F. Duncan,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[CGD08-05-055]

Realignment of District Eight Sector Boundaries

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard announces that the Eighth Coast Guard District is

realigning the boundaries of sectors to facilitate unity of operational effort.

DATES: This notice is effective December 31, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket CGD08-05-055 and are available for inspection or copying at Commander (rpl), Eighth Coast Guard District, 500 Poydras Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130-3310 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, call Lieutenant Michael Roschel, Eighth District Planning Office at 504-589-6293.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion of Notice

The Eighth District of United States Coast Guard is realigning the boundaries of its sectors to facilitate integration of field units into a structure that will enhance our ability to perform prevention, compliance, and response operations. The sectors that will be realigned are Sector Corpus Christi, Sector Houston-Galveston, Sector New Orleans, Sector Mobile, Sector Lower Mississippi River, and Sector Ohio Valley. In addition the boundaries of Marine Safety Office St. Louis will be modified. This spring Marine Safety Office St. Louis will become Sector Upper Mississippi River. Once Sector Upper Mississippi River is commissioned it will assume responsibility for the area covered by the Marine Safety Office St. Louis. The Boundary changes are being done because the implementation of sectors has created a need for new geographical boundaries. The change will allow better organizational control under the new sector model.

The new Sector Corpus Christi Inspection Zone, Captain of the Port Zone, and Area of Responsibility starts at the junction of the sea and the east bank of the Colorado River; thence proceeds northerly along the east bank of the Colorado River to Colorado County, Texas; thence northeasterly along the northern boundary of Wharton County, Texas; thence northwesterly along the eastern and northern boundaries of Colorado, Fayette, Bastrop, Travis, Burnet, Llano, Mason, Menard, Schletcher, Irion, Reagan, Upton, and Ector Counties, Texas; thence westerly along the northern boundary of Ector and Winkler Counties, Texas to the Texas-New Mexico border; thence northerly along the New Mexico Border to the New

Mexico-Colorado border; thence westerly along the New Mexico-Colorado border to the intersection of New Mexico, Colorado, Utah and Arizona borders; thence southerly along the New Mexico-Arizona border to the United States-Mexican border; thence southeasterly along the United States-Mexican border to the sea. The offshore area includes all waters and islands contained therein of the EEZ that are south and west of a line bearing 140°T from the junction of the sea and the east bank of the Colorado River to the outermost extent of the EEZ.

The new Sector Houston-Galveston Inspection Zone, Captain of the Port Zone, and Area of Responsibility will contain a sub-zone within its boundary description described below which will be the Marine Safety Unit Port Arthur sub-zone described in the next paragraph; however, Sector Houston-Galveston's boundary starts at the intersection of the sea and longitude 92°37' W; thence northerly along the eastern and southern boundaries of Cameron, Jefferson Davis, Allen, and Rapides Parishes, Louisiana to the southern bank of the Red River; thence northwesterly along the south bank of the Red River to the northern boundary of Red River Parish, Louisiana; thence westerly along the northern boundary of Red River Parish and Desoto Parish, Louisiana to the Louisiana-Texas border; thence northerly along the Louisiana-Texas border to the Texas-Arkansas border at the northern boundary of Bowie County, Texas; following the Texas-Arkansas border to the Texas-Oklahoma border; thence northwesterly along the Texas-Oklahoma border, including the Red River to Lake Texoma in Grayson County, Texas; thence westerly along the north shore of Lake Texoma to the Texas-Oklahoma border; thence westerly along the Texas-Oklahoma border to the Texas-New Mexico border, including all portions of the Red River; thence southerly along the Texas-New Mexico border to the southern boundary of Andrews County, Texas; thence southeasterly along the western and southern boundaries of Andrews, Midland, Glasscock, Sterling, Tom Green, Concho, McCulloch, San Saba, Lampasas, Bell, Williamson, Lee, Washington, Austin Counties, Texas to the intersection of Colorado County, Texas; thence along the northern and eastern boundary of Colorado County to the east bank of the Colorado River; thence southerly along the east bank of the Colorado River to the sea; thence southeasterly along a line bearing 140° T to the outermost extent of the EEZ;

thence easterly along the outermost extent of the EEZ to longitude 92°37' W; thence northerly along longitude 92°37' W to the Louisiana Coast.

The new Port Arthur Inspection Zone, Captain of the Port Zone, and Area of Responsibility starts at the intersection of the sea and longitude 92°37' W; thence northerly along the eastern and southern boundaries of Cameron, Jefferson Davis, Allen, and Rapides Parishes, Louisiana to the southern bank of the Red River; thence northwesterly along the southern bank of the Red River to the northern boundary of Red River Parish, Louisiana; thence westerly along the northern boundary of Red River Parish and Desoto Parish, Louisiana to the Louisiana-Texas border; thence northerly along the Louisiana-Texas border to the Texas-Arkansas border at the northern boundary of Bowie County, Texas; thence northerly along the Texas-Arkansas border to the Texas-Oklahoma border; thence westerly along the Texas-Oklahoma border to the northwest most boundary of Fannin County, Texas, including all portions of the Red River; thence southerly along the western and southern boundaries of Fannin, Hunt, Kaufman, Henderson, Anderson, Houston, Trinity, Polk, Hardin, and Jefferson Counties, Texas to the sea at longitude 94°25' W; thence southeasterly to latitude 29°00' N, longitude 93°40' W; thence southeasterly to latitude 27°50' N, longitude 93°24' W; thence southerly along longitude 93°24' W to the outermost extent of the EEZ; thence easterly along the outer most extent of the EEZ to longitude 92°37' W; thence northerly along longitude 92°37' W to the Louisiana Coast.

The new Sector New Orleans Inspection Zone, Captain of the Port Zone, and Area of Responsibility will contain a sub-zone within its boundary description described below which will be the Marine Safety Unit Morgan City sub-zone described in the next paragraph; however, Sector New Orleans boundary starts at latitude 30°10' N, longitude 89°10' W; thence west along latitude 30°10' N to longitude 89°31.8' W; thence north along longitude 89°31.8' W to the west bank of the Pearl River (at the mouth of the river); thence northerly along the west bank of the Pearl River to latitude 31°00' N; thence due west along latitude 31°00' N to the east bank of the Mississippi River; thence southerly along the east bank to mile 303.0, thence westerly to the west bank at mile 303.0; thence northerly to the southern boundary of the Old River Lock Structure, thence westerly along the

south bank of the Lower Old River, to the intersection with the Red River; thence west along the south bank of the Red River to Rapides Parish, thence southerly along the western boundaries of Avoyelles, Evangeline, Acadia and Vermillion Parishes to the intersection of the sea and longitude 92°37' W; thence southerly along longitude 92°37' W to the outermost extent of the EEZ; thence easterly along the outermost extent of the EEZ to longitude 88°00' W; thence northerly along longitude 88°00' W to latitude 29°00' N; thence northwesterly to latitude 30°10' N, longitude 89°10' W.

The new Marine Safety Unit Morgan City Inspection Zone, Captain of the Port Zone, and Area of Responsibility starts at latitude 28°50' N., longitude 88°00' W.; thence proceeds west to latitude 28°50' N., longitude 89°27'06" W.; thence northwesterly to latitude 29°18' N., longitude 90°00' W.; thence northwesterly along the northern boundaries of Lafourche, Assumption, Iberia, and St. Martin Parishes, Louisiana; thence northwesterly along the northern boundary of Lafayette and Acadia Parishes, Louisiana; thence southerly along the west boundary of Acadia and Vermillion Parishes, Louisiana to the Louisiana Coast at longitude 92°37' W., thence south along longitude 92°37' W. to the outermost extent of the EEZ; thence easterly along the outermost extent of the EEZ to longitude 88°00' W.; thence north to latitude 28°50' N., longitude 88°00' W.

The new Sector Mobile Inspection Zone, Captain of the Port Zone, and Area of Responsibility starts at the Florida coast at longitude 83°50' W; thence northerly to latitude 30°15' N, longitude 83°50' W; thence due west to latitude 30°15' N, longitude 84°45' W; thence due north to the southern bank of the Jim Woodruff Reservoir at longitude 84°45' W; thence northeasterly along the eastern bank of the Jim Woodruff Reservoir and northerly along the eastern bank of the Flint River to latitude 32°20' N, longitude 84°02' W; thence northwesterly to the intersection of the Georgia-Alabama border at latitude 32°53' N; thence northerly along the Georgia-Alabama border to the northern most point of Dekalb County, Alabama, thence westerly along the northern boundaries of Dekalb, Etowah, Blount, Cullman, Winston, Franklin Counties, Alabama to the Mississippi-Alabama border; thence north along the Mississippi-Alabama border to the northern boundary of Tishomingo County, Mississippi at the Mississippi-Tennessee border; thence west along the northern boundaries of Tishomingo,

Alcorn, Tippah, Benton and Marshall Counties, Mississippi, thence southerly and westerly along the eastern and southern boundaries of Desoto, Tunica, Coahoma, Bolivar, Washington Counties, Mississippi; thence easterly along the northern boundary of Humphreys and Holmes Counties, Mississippi, thence southerly along the eastern and southern boundaries of Holmes, Yazoo, Warren, Claiborne, Jefferson Adams and Wilkinson Counties, Mississippi; thence due east along latitude 31°00' N from the southern most intersection of Wilkinson and Amite Counties, Mississippi to the west bank of the Pearl River; thence southerly along the west bank of the Pearl River to longitude 89°31.8' W (at the mouth of the river); thence south along longitude 89°31.8' W to latitude 30°10' N; thence east along latitude 30°10' N to longitude 89°10' W; thence southeasterly to latitude 29°00' N, longitude 88°00' W; thence south along longitude 88°00' W to the outermost extent of the EEZ; thence easterly along the outermost extent of the EEZ to the intersection with a line bearing 199°T from the intersection of the Florida coast at longitude 83°50' W; thence northeasterly along a line bearing 199°T from the Florida coast at longitude 83°50' W to the coast.

The new Sector Lower Mississippi River Inspection Zone, Captain of the Port Zone, and Area of Responsibility starts with all of Arkansas and all of Oklahoma with the exception of the Red River and Lake Texoma. In Missouri: Dunklin and Pemiscot Counties. In Tennessee: Dyer, Lauderdale, Obion, Tipton, and Shelby Counties; and all portions of Lake County with the exception of the area North and West of a line drawn from Mississippi River at Latitude 36°20' N and Longitude 89°32'30" W due East to Highway 78 thence NE along Highway 78 to the Kentucky/Tennessee state line. In Mississippi: Desoto, Tunica, Coahoma, Bolivar, Washington, Humphreys, Holmes, Sharkey, Yazoo, Issaquena, Warren, Claiborne, Jefferson, Adams, and Wilkinson Counties. In Louisiana, all the areas north of a line drawn from the east bank of the Mississippi River at the Louisiana-Mississippi border, thence south along the east bank to mile 303.0, thence westerly to the west bank at mile 303.0, thence northerly to the southern boundary of the Old River Lock Structure, thence westerly along the southern bank of the Lower Old River, to the intersection with the Red River, thence westerly and northwesterly along the southern bank of the Red River to the northern most

boundary of Red River Parish, thence westerly along the northern boundary of Red River Parish and DeSoto Parish to the Texas-Louisiana Border; including Lasalle, Caldwell, Caddo, Bossier, Webster, Claiborne, Union, Morehouse, West Carroll, East Carroll, Madison, Richland, Ouachita, Lincoln, Jackson, Bienville, Winn, Grant, Franklin, Tensas, Catahoula, and Concordia Parishes; those parts of Avoyelles, Natchitoches, Rapides, and Red River Parishes north of the Red River; and that part of West Feliciana Parish north of the Lower Old River. That part of the Lower Mississippi River below mile 869.0 and above mile 303. All of the Red River below the Arkansas-Oklahoma border.

The new Sector Ohio Valley Inspection Zone, Captain of the Port Zone, and Area of responsibility will contain a sub-zone within its boundary description described below which will be the Marine Safety Unit Pittsburgh sub-zone described in the next paragraph; however, Sector Ohio Valley's boundary starts with all of Kentucky and West Virginia; in Missouri: Perry, Cape Girardeau, Scott, Mississippi and New Madrid Counties; in Tennessee: that portion of Lake County north and west of a line drawn from the Mississippi River at latitude 36°20' N and longitude 89°32'30" W due east to Highway 78, thence northeast along Highway 78 to the Kentucky/Tennessee state line, and all other counties in Tennessee except Shelby, Tipton, Lauderdale, Dyer and Obion Counties; in Alabama: Colbert, Lawrence, Morgan, Marshall, Lauderdale, Limestone, Madison, and Jackson Counties; that portion of Pennsylvania south of latitude 41°00' N and west of longitude 79°00' W; those parts of Indiana and Ohio south of latitude 41°00' N; in Illinois: Jackson, Williamson, Saline, Gallatin, Union, Johnson, Pope, Hardin, Alexander, Pulaski, and Massac Counties, and in Randolph County, that part of the Upper Mississippi River below mile 109.9, including both banks; that part of the Lower Mississippi River above mile 869.0.

The new Marine Safety Unit Pittsburgh Inspection Zone, Captain of the Port Zone, and Area of responsibility starts with that portion of Pennsylvania south of latitude 41°00' N and west of longitude 79°00' W; in West Virginia: Preston, Monongalia, Marion, Marshall, Ohio, Brooke, and Hancock Counties; in Ohio: Stark, Columbiana, Tuscarawas, Carroll, Harrison, Jefferson, and Belmont Counties, those parts of Summit, Portage, and Mahoning Counties south of latitude 41°00' N; and

that part of the Ohio River, including both banks, above mile 127.2 on the Ohio River, just below the Hannibal Lock and Dam.

The new Marine Safety Office St. Louis (Future Sector Upper Mississippi River) Inspection Zone, Captain of the Port Zone, and Area of Responsibility starts with all of Wyoming except for Sweetwater County; Colorado; North Dakota; South Dakota; Kansas; Nebraska; Iowa; all of Missouri with the exception of Perry, Cape Girardeau, Scott, Mississippi, New Madrid, Dunklin, and Pemiscot Counties; that part of Minnesota south of latitude 46°20' N; that part of Wisconsin south of latitude 46°20' N, and west of longitude 90°00' W; that part of Illinois west of longitude 90°00' W and north of latitude 41°00' N; and that part of Illinois south of latitude 41°00' N, except for Jackson, Williamson, Saline, Gellatin, Union, Johnson, Pope, Hardin, Alexander, Pulaski, and Massac Counties. That part of the Upper Mississippi River above mile 109.9, including both banks, and that part of the Illinois River below latitude 41°00' N.

These boundary line changes will not affect any of the rights, responsibilities, duties, and authorities of the Commanders over the units described in this regulation and all previous practices and procedures will remain in effect.

Dated: December 29, 2005.

Kevin L. Marshall,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, 8th Coast Guard District, Acting.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: 30-day notice of information collection under review: Medical Examination of Aliens Seeking Adjustment of Status, Form I-693; 1615-0033.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance

with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on October 21, 2005, at 70 FR 61295, allowing for a 60-day public comment period. The USCIS did not receive any comments on this information collection.

The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until February 8, 2006. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Director, Regulatory Management Division, Clearance Office, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, 3rd floor, Washington, DC 20529. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-8352 or via e-mail at rfs.regs@dhs.gov. When submitting comments by e-mail please make sure to add OMB Control Number 1615-0033 in the subject box. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies' estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Medical Examination of Aliens Seeking Adjustment of Status.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection:* Form I-693. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or Households. This information collection will be used by the USCIS in considering eligibility for adjustment of status under section 209, 210, 245 and 245A of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 800,000 responses at 90 minutes (1.5) hours per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 1,200,000 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please visit the USCIS Web site at: <http://uscis.gov/graphics/formsfee/forms/prs/index.htm>.

If additional information is required contact: USCIS, Regulatory Management Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, 3rd Floor, Washington, DC 20529, (202) 272-8377.

Dated: January 4, 2006.

Richard A. Sloan,

Director, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Interior; Office of the Secretary.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an upcoming meeting of the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463).

Meeting Date and Time: Friday, January 13, 2006—1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Address: Hotel Bethlehem, 437 Main Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

The agenda for the meeting will focus on implementation of the Management Action Plan for the Delaware and Lehigh Heritage Corridor and State Heritage Park. The Commission was established to assist the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and its political subdivisions in planning and implementing an integrated strategy for protecting and promoting cultural,

historic and natural resources. The Commission reports to the Secretary of the Interior and to Congress.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission was established by Public Law 100-692, November 18, 1988 and extended through Public Law 105-355, November 13, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: C. Allen Sachse, Executive Director, Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission, 1 South Third Street, 8th Floor, Easton, PA 18042, (610) 923-3548.

Dated: January 3, 2006.

C. Allen Sachse,

Executive Director, Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Rainwater Basin Wetland Management District, Kearney, NE

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: This notice advises that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) intends to gather information necessary to prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) and associated environmental documents for the Rainwater Basin Wetland Management District (WMD) in south-central Nebraska. The Service is furnishing this notice in compliance with Service CCP policy to advise other agencies and the public of its intentions, and to obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to be considered in the planning process.

DATES: Written comments must be received by February 8, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests for more information regarding the Rainwater Basin WMD should be sent to Bernardo Garza, Planning Team Leader, Division of Refuge Planning, P.O. Box 25486, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bernardo Garza, Planning Team Leader, Division of Refuge Planning, P.O. Box 25486, DFC, Denver, CO 80225, or Linda Kelly, Chief, Branch of Comprehensive Conservation Planning, P.O. Box 25486,

Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Service has initiated the CCP for the Rainwater Basin WMD with headquarters in Kearney, Nebraska.

Each unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System, including this WMD, has specific purposes for which it was established and for which legislation was enacted. Those purposes are used to develop and prioritize management goals and objectives within the National Wildlife Refuge System mission, and to guide which public uses will occur on the WMD. The planning process is a way for the Service and the public to evaluate management goals and objectives for the best possible conservation efforts of this important wildlife habitat, while providing for wildlife-dependent recreation opportunities that are compatible with each WMD's establishing purposes and the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System.

Rainwater Basin WMD was established in 1963 when the Service began acquiring critical migratory waterfowl habitat in south-central and southeastern Nebraska with Duck Stamp dollars. Today, the Rainwater Basin WMD manages 61 individual tracts of land within the geographic area called the Rainwater Basin. This WMD encompasses a complex of wetlands scattered throughout a 17-county area. The wetlands are shallow basins that provide resting and feeding areas for millions of birds during spring and fall migration. Historically, bison and wildfire kept the wetlands open, with annual plants growing during dry summer months and droughts. With the bison gone and wildfires controlled, management has to be accomplished to keep these wetlands in a condition favored by ducks, geese, and other water birds. Current public use opportunities at this WMD include hunting, wildlife observation and photography.

The Service will conduct a CCP process that will provide an opportunity for Tribal, State, and local governments; agencies; organizations; and the public to participate in issue scoping and public comment. The Service is requesting input for issues, concerns, ideas, and suggestions for the future management of the Rainwater Basin WMD in south-central Nebraska. Anyone interested in providing input is invited to respond to the following three questions.

(1) What makes the Rainwater Basin WMD special or unique for you?

(2) What problems or issues do you want to see addressed in the CCP?

(3) What improvements would you recommend for the Rainwater Basin WMD?

The Service has provided the above questions for your optional use; you are not required to provide information to the Service. The Planning Team developed these questions to facilitate finding out more information about individual issues and ideas concerning the Rainwater Basin WMD. Comments received by the Planning Team will be used as part of the planning process; individual comments will not be referenced in our reports or directly responded to.

An opportunity will be given to the public to provide input at open houses to scope issues and concerns (schedules can be obtained from the Planning Team Leaders at the above addresses). Comments may also be submitted anytime during the planning process by writing to the above addresses. All information provided voluntarily by mail, phone, or at public meetings becomes part of the official public record (i.e., names, addresses, letters of comment, input recorded during meetings). If requested under the Freedom of Information Act by a private citizen or organization, the Service may provide informational copies.

The environmental review of this project will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); NEPA Regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508); other appropriate Federal laws and regulations; and Service policies and procedures for compliance with those regulations. All comments received from individuals on Service Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements become part of the official public record. Requests for such comments will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, NEPA (40 CFR 1506.6(f)), and other Departmental and Service policy and procedures. When requested, the Service will generally provide comment letters with the names and addresses of the individuals who wrote the comments. However, the telephone number of the commenting individual will not be provided in response to such requests to the extent permissible by law. Additionally, public comment letters are not required to contain the commentator's name, address, or any other identifying information. Such comments may be submitted anonymously to the Service.

Dated: November 17 2005.

Richard A Coleman,

Regional Director, Region 6, Denver, CO.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Tribal Self-Governance Program Information Collection

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed agency information collection activities; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Affairs is seeking comments from the public on an extension of an information collection from potential Self-Governance Tribes, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The information collected under OMB Clearance Number, 1076-0143, will be used to establish requirements for entry into the pool of qualified applicants for self-governance, to provide information for awarding grants, and to meet reporting requirements of the Self-Governance Act.

DATES: Submit comments on or before March 10, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Written comments can be sent to William Sinclair, Office of Self-Governance, 1849 C Street, NW., Mail Stop 4618 MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Sinclair, (202) 219-0244.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You are advised that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information that does not display a valid OMB clearance number. For example, this collection is listed by OMB as 1076-0143, and it expires April 30, 2006. The response is voluntary to obtain or retain a benefit.

We are requesting comments about the proposed collection to evaluate:

(a) The accuracy of the burden hours, including the validity of the methodology used and assumptions made;

(b) The necessity of the information for proper performance of the bureau functions, including its practical utility;

(c) The quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Suggestions to reduce the burden including use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Please submit your comments to the person listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. Please note that comments, names and

addresses of commentators, are open for public review during regular business hours. If you wish your name and address withheld, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. We will honor your request to the extent allowable by law.

Type of review: Renewal.

Title: Tribal Self-Governance Program, 25 CFR 1000.

Affected Entities: Tribes and tribal consortiums wishing to enter into a self-governance compact.

Size of Respondent Pool: 213.

Number of Annual Responses: 213.

Hours per response: 42.

Total Annual Hours: 10,498.

Dated: December 22, 2005.

Michael D. Olsen,

Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-922-06-1310-FI; COC66204]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 188(d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2-3(a) and (b)(1), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease COC66204 from John P. Strang for lands in Garfield County, Colorado. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, Milada Krasilinec, Land Law Examiner, Branch of Fluid Minerals Adjudication, at 303.239.3767.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$5.00 per acre or fraction thereof, per year and 16 2/3 percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$155 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Section 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C.

188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate lease COC66204 effective September 1, 2005, under the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

Dated: December 29, 2005.

Milada Krasilinec,

Land Law Examiner.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Inv. No. 337-TA-539]

In the Matter of Certain Tadalafil or Any Salt or Solvate Thereof and Products Containing Same; Notice of Commission Decision Not To Review an Initial Determination Finding a Violation of Section 337; Schedule for Written Submissions on Remedy, Public Interest, and Bonding

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review an initial determination ("ID") (Order No. 10) issued by the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ") finding a violation of section 337 in the subject investigation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Crabb, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 708-5432. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://edis.usitc.gov>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This investigation was instituted by the Commission based on a complaint filed

by Lilly ICOS LLC ("Lilly") of Wilmington, DE under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337. 70 FR 25601 (May 13, 2005). The complainant alleged violations of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain tadalafil or any salt or solvate thereof, and products containing same by reason of infringement of claims 1–4, 6–8, 12, and 13 of U.S. Patent No. 5,859,006. The complaint and notice of investigation named ten respondents.

On September 12, 2005, the Commission issued a notice indicating that it had determined not to review an ID (Order No. 5) finding respondents Santovittorio Holdings Ltd. d/b/a Inhousepharmacy.co.uk of El Dorado, Panama, Stop4Rx of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Rx Mex-Com, S.A. de C.V. of Colonia Las Brisas, Mexico, and <http://www.Nudewfds.info> of New Orleans, LA, in default. The ALJ also found that respondent Express Generic had not been properly served with the complaint.

On November 17, 2005, the Commission issued a notice that it had determined not to review an ID (Order No. 9) finding an additional five of the originally named respondents in default. The additional five respondents were Budget Medicines Pty Ltd., of Sydney, Australia, Generic Cialis Pharmacy of Managua, Nicaragua, Cutprice Pills of Scottsdale, AZ, Allpills.us of Beverly Hills, CA, and Pharmacy4u.us of New York, NY.

On October 28, 2005, Lilly filed a motion for summary determination on the issues of the existence of a domestic industry and violation of section 337 with respect to the nine respondents that were found in default. On November 14, 2005, the Commission Investigative Attorney ("IA") filed a response to Lilly's motion.

On December 6, 2005, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 10) granting Lilly's motion for a summary determination of a violation of section 337. With respect to the remedy, the ALJ recommended the issuance of a general exclusion order under section 337(g)(2), 19 U.S.C. 1337(g)(2). The ALJ also recommended that the bond permitting importation during the Presidential review period be set at 100 percent of the value of the infringing imported products. No party petitioned for review of the subject ID. The Commission has determined not to review this ID with respect to the finding of a violation of section 337, and to request written submissions with respect to remedy, bonding, and the public interest.

In connection with the final disposition of this investigation, the Commission may issue an order that could result in the exclusion of the subject articles from entry into the United States. Accordingly, the Commission is interested in receiving written submissions that address the form of remedy, if any, that should be ordered. If a party seeks exclusion of an article from entry into the United States for purposes other than entry for consumption, it should so indicate and provide information establishing that activities involving other types of entry either are adversely affecting it or likely to do so. For background, see *In the Matter of Certain Devices for Connecting Computers via Telephone Lines*, Inv. No. 337-TA-360, USITC Pub. No. 2843 (December 1994) (Commission Opinion).

When the Commission contemplates some form of remedy, it must consider the effects of that remedy upon the public interest. The factors the Commission will consider in this investigation include the effect that an exclusion order would have on (1) the public health and welfare, (2) competitive conditions in the U.S. economy, (3) U.S. production of articles that are like or directly competitive with those that are subject to investigation, and (4) U.S. consumers. The Commission is therefore interested in receiving written submissions that address the aforementioned public interest factors in the context of this investigation.

If the Commission orders some form of remedy, the President has 60 days to approve or disapprove the Commission's action. During this period, the subject articles would be entitled to enter the United States under a bond, in an amount determined by the Commission and prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury. The Commission is therefore interested in receiving submissions concerning the amount of the bond that should be imposed.

Written Submissions: The parties to the investigation, interested government agencies, and any other interested parties are encouraged to file written submissions on remedy, bonding, and the public interest. Such submissions should address the December 6, 2005, recommended determination (Order No. 10) by the ALJ on remedy and bonding. Complainants and the Commission's investigative attorney are also requested to submit proposed orders for the Commission's consideration. Complainants are further requested to state the expiration date of the patent at issue and the HTSUS numbers under

which the infringing goods are imported. Main written submissions and proposed orders must be filed no later than close of business on January 17, 2006. Reply submissions, if any, must be filed no later than the close of business on January 24, 2006. No further submissions on these issues will be permitted unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

Persons filing written submissions must file with the Office of the Secretary the original document and 14 true copies thereof on or before the deadlines stated above. Any person desiring to submit a document (or portion thereof) to the Commission in confidence must request confidential treatment unless the information has already been granted such treatment during the proceedings. All such requests should be directed to the Secretary of the Commission and must include a full statement of the reasons that the Commission should grant such treatment. See section 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 201.6. Documents for which confidential treatment by the Commission is sought will be treated accordingly. All nonconfidential written submissions will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Secretary.

The authority for the Commission's determination is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and in section 210.42 and 210.50 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 210.42 and 210.50).

By order of the Commission.

Issued: January 4, 2006.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Copyright Royalty Board

[Docket No. 2006–2 CRB NCBRA]

Determination of Reasonable Rates and Terms for Noncommercial Broadcasting

AGENCY: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Notice announcing commencement of proceeding with request for Petitions to Participate.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Royalty Board of the Library of Congress is announcing the commencement of the proceeding to determine the reasonable rates and terms for use of certain works in

connection with noncommercial broadcasting. The Board is also announcing the date by which a party who wishes to participate in the new rate proceeding must file its Petition to Participate and the accompanying \$150 filing fee.

DATES: Petitions to Participate and the filing fee are due no later than February 8, 2006.

ADDRESSES: If hand delivered by a private party, an original and five copies of a Petition to Participate along with the \$150 filing fee should be brought to Room LM-401 of the James Madison Memorial Building between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. and the envelope should be addressed as follows: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress, James Madison Memorial Building, Room LM-401, 101 Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20559-6000. If delivered by a commercial carrier, an original and five copies of a Petition to Participate along with the \$150 filing fee must be delivered to the Congressional Courier Acceptance Site located at 2nd and D Street, NE., between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. The envelope should be addressed as follows: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress, Room 403, James Madison Memorial Building, 101 Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC. If sent by mail (including overnight delivery using U.S. Postal Service Express Mail), an original and five copies of a Petition to Participate along with the \$150 filing fee should be addressed to: Copyright Royalty Board, P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, DC 20024-0977. Petitions to Participate and the \$150 filing fee may not be delivered by means of overnight delivery services such as Federal Express, United Parcel Service, etc., due to delays in processing receipt of such deliveries.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Abioye E. Oyewole, CRB Program Specialist. Telephone: (202) 707-8380. Telefax: (202) 252-3423.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This Notice is issued pursuant to section 804(b)(6) of the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. 804(b)(6), which states: "A petition * * * to initiate proceedings under section 801(b)(1) concerning the determination of reasonable terms and rates of royalty payments as provided in section 118 may be filed in the year 2006 * * *." However, since no petition has been filed pursuant to section 804(b)(6), 17 U.S.C. 803(b)(1)(A)(i)(V) requires Copyright Royalty Judges publish a **Federal**

Register notice no later than January 5, 2006, commencing this proceeding.

Petitions To Participate

Any party who wishes to participate in this proceeding must submit to the Board a Petition to Participate by no later than February 8, 2006. 17 U.S.C. 803(b)(1)(A)(ii). The single or joint Petition to Participate must provide all of the information required by 37 CFR 351.1(b). *See* 70 FR 30906-07 (May 31, 2005). The Petition to Participate must be accompanied by a \$150 filing fee. Cash will not be accepted; therefore, parties must pay the filing fee with a check or money order made payable to "Copyright Royalty Board." If a check received in payment of the filing fee is returned for lack of sufficient funds, the corresponding Petition to Participate will be dismissed. Note that in any Copyright Royalty Board proceeding, unlike in Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel proceedings, according to 37 CFR 350.2 (Representation), only attorneys who are members of the bar in one or more states and in good standing will be allowed to represent parties before the Copyright Royalty Board if a party does not solely represent him or herself.

Dated: January 4, 2006.

Bruce G. Forrest,

Interim Chief Copyright Royalty Judge.

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Copyright Royalty Board

[Docket No. 2006-3 CRB DPRA]

Adjustment or Determination of Compulsory License Rates for Making and Distributing Phonorecords

AGENCY: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Notice announcing commencement of proceeding with request for Petitions to Participate.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Royalty Board of the Library of Congress is announcing the commencement of the proceeding to determine the reasonable rates and terms for making and distributing phonorecords. The Board is also announcing the date by which a party who wishes to participate in the new rate proceeding must file its Petition to Participate and the accompanying \$150 filing fee.

DATES: Petitions to Participate and the filing fee are due no later than February 8, 2006.

ADDRESSES: If hand delivered by a private party, an original and five copies of a Petition to Participate along with the \$150 filing fee should be brought to Room LM-401 of the James Madison Memorial Building between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. and the envelope should be addressed as follows: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress, James Madison Memorial Building, Room LM-401, 101 Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20559-6000. If delivered by a commercial carrier, an original and five copies of a Petition to Participate along with the \$150 filing fee must be delivered to the Congressional Courier Acceptance Site located at 2nd and D Street, NE., between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. The envelope should be addressed as follows: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress, Room 403, James Madison Memorial Building, 101 Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC. If sent by mail (including overnight delivery using U.S. Postal Service Express Mail), an original and five copies of a Petition to Participate along with the \$150 filing fee should be addressed to: Copyright Royalty Board, P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, DC 20024-0977. Petitions to Participate and the \$150 filing fee may not be delivered by means of overnight delivery services such as Federal Express, United Parcel Service, etc., due to delays in processing receipt of such deliveries.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Abioye E. Oyewole, CRB Program Specialist. Telephone: (202) 707-8380. Telefax: (202) 252-3423.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This Notice is issued pursuant to section 804(b)(4) of the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. 804(b)(4), which states: "A petition * * * to initiate proceedings under section 801(b)(1) concerning the adjustment or determination of royalty rates as provided in section 115 may be filed in the year 2006 * * *." However, since no petition has been filed pursuant to section 804(b)(4), 17 U.S.C. 803(b)(1)(A)(i)(V) requires Copyright Royalty Judges publish a Federal Register notice no later than January 5, 2006, commencing this proceeding.

Petitions To Participate

Any party who wishes to participate in this proceeding must submit to the Board a Petition to Participate by no later than February 8, 2006. 17 U.S.C. 803(b)(1)(A)(ii). The single or joint Petition to Participate must provide all of the information required by 37 CFR 351.1(b). *See* 70 FR 30906-07 (May 31,

2005). The Petition to Participate must be accompanied by a \$150 filing fee. Cash will not be accepted; therefore, parties must pay the filing fee with a check or money order made payable to "Copyright Royalty Board." If a check received in payment of the filing fee is returned for lack of sufficient funds, the corresponding Petition to Participate will be dismissed. Note that in any Copyright Royalty Board proceeding, unlike in Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel proceedings, according to 37 CFR 350.2 (Representation), only attorneys who are members of the bar in one or more states and in good standing will be allowed to represent parties before the Copyright Royalty Board if a party does not solely represent him or herself.

Dated: January 4, 2006.

Bruce G. Forrest,

Interim Chief Copyright Royalty Judge.

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Copyright Royalty Board

[Docket No. 2006-1 CRB DSTRA]

Adjustment of Rates and Terms for Preexisting Subscription and Satellite Digital Audio Radio Services

AGENCY: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Notice announcing commencement of proceeding with request for Petitions to Participate.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Royalty Board of the Library of Congress is announcing the commencement of the proceeding to determine the reasonable rates and terms for preexisting subscription and satellite digital audio radio services. The Board is also announcing the date by which a party who wishes to participate in the new rate proceeding must file its Petition to Participate and the accompanying \$150 filing fee.

DATES: Petitions to Participate and the filing fee are due no later than February 8, 2006.

ADDRESSES: If hand delivered by a private party, an original and five copies of a Petition to Participate along with the \$150 filing fee should be brought to Room LM-401 of the James Madison Memorial Building between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. and the envelope should be addressed as follows: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress, James Madison Memorial Building, Room LM-401, 101 Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20559-6000. If delivered by a commercial carrier, an

original and five copies of a Petition to Participate along with the \$150 filing fee must be delivered to the Congressional Courier Acceptance Site located at 2nd and D Street, NE., between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. The envelope should be addressed as follows: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress, Room 403, James Madison Memorial Building, 101 Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20559-6000. If sent by mail (including overnight delivery using U.S. Postal Service Express Mail), an original and five copies of a Petition to Participate along with the \$150 filing fee should be addressed to: Copyright Royalty Board, P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, DC 20024-0977. Petitions to Participate and the \$150 filing fee may not be delivered by means of overnight delivery services such as Federal Express, United Parcel Service, etc., due to delays in processing receipt of such deliveries.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Abioye E. Oyewole, CRB Program Specialist. Telephone: (202) 707-8380. Telefax: (202) 252-3423.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This Notice is issued pursuant to 17 U.S.C. 804(b)(3)(B), which requires the commencement of proceedings "in January 2006 to determine reasonable terms and rates of royalty payments under sections 114 and 112 for the activities of preexisting subscription services, to be effective during the period beginning on January 1, 2008, and ending on December 31, 2012, and preexisting satellite digital audio radio services, to be effective during the period beginning on January 1, 2007, and ending on December 31, 2012." 17 U.S.C. 803(b)(1)(A)(i)(V) requires the Copyright Royalty Judges publish a **Federal Register** notice no later than January 5, 2006, commencing this proceeding.

Petitions To Participate

Any party who wishes to participate in this proceeding must submit to the Board a Petition to Participate by no later than February 8, 2006. 17 U.S.C. 803(b)(1)(A)(ii). The single or joint Petition to Participate must provide all of the information required by 37 CFR 351.1(b). See 70 FR 30906-07 (May 31, 2005). The Petition to Participate must be accompanied by a \$150 filing fee. Cash will not be accepted; therefore, parties must pay the filing fee with a check or money order made payable to "Copyright Royalty Board." If a check received in payment of the filing fee is returned for lack of sufficient funds, the

corresponding Petition to Participate will be dismissed. Note that in any Copyright Royalty Board proceeding, unlike in Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel proceedings, according to 37 CFR 350.2 (Representation), only attorneys who are members of the bar in one or more states and in good standing will be allowed to represent parties before the Copyright Royalty Board if a party does not solely represent him or herself.

Dated: January 4, 2006.

Bruce G. Forrest,

Interim Chief Copyright Royalty Board Judge.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Advisory Committee on Presidential Libraries Meeting

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) announces a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Presidential Libraries. NARA uses the Committee's recommendations on NARA's implementation of strategies for preserving the permanently valuable records of the Federal Government.

DATES: January 26, 2006, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The National Archives Building, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Archivist's Board Room, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon Fawcett at 301-837-3250.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The agenda for the meeting will be the Presidential Library program and a discussion of issues related to developing public awareness of Presidential Library programs.

The meeting will be open to the public.

Dated: January 3, 2006.

Mary Ann Hadyka,

Committee Management Officer.

[FR Doc. E6-41 Filed 1-6-06; 8:45 am]

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

National Science Board; NSB Election Committee; Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: January 13, 2006, 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m. (ET).

PLACE: National Science Foundation, Room 1235, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

AGENDA: Discussion of candidates for one vacancy on the Executive Committee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Michael P. Crosby, Executive Officer and NSB Office Director, (703) 292-7000. www.nsf.gov/nsb.

Michael P. Crosby,
Executive Officer.

[FR Doc. 06-213 Filed 1-5-06; 2:44 pm]

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Notice of Issuance of Director's Decision Under 10 CFR 2.206

Docket No. 030-28641, License No. 42-23539-01AF, Department of the Air Force.

Docket No. 040-06394, License No. SMB-141, Department of the Army.

Docket No. 040-07086, License No. SUB-734, Department of the Army.

Docket No. 040-08814, License No. SMB-1411, Department of the Army.

Docket No. 040-08838, License No. SUB-1435, Department of the Army.

Docket No. 040-07354, License No. SUB-834, Department of the Army.

Docket No. 040-08850, License No. SUB-1440, Department of the Army.

Docket No. 040-08779, License No. SUC-1391, Department of the Army.

Docket No. 040-08767, License No. SUC-1380, Department of the Army.

Docket No. 030-29462, License No. 45-23645-01NA, Department of the Navy.

Notice is hereby given that the Director, Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, has issued a Director's Decision on a petition dated April 3, 2005, filed by Mr. James Salsman, hereinafter referred to as the "Petitioner." The petition was supplemented on April 26, 2005, and May 4, 2005. The petition concerns depleted uranium (DU) munition licensees, specifically the Departments of the Air Force, Army, and Navy, and ATK Tactical Systems Company, LLC.

The petition requested the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to fine the licensees and modify their licenses. The Petitioner's concerns revolve around the combustion products of DU munitions, specifically hexavalent uranium trioxide (UO₃).

Petitioner asserts that the licensees never attempted to detect, never detected, and failed to recognize that hexavalent UO₃ is a hazardous combustion product when DU

munitions are fired and heated at high temperatures. Petitioner contends that DU munitions licensed activity is unsafe and in violation of NRC requirements.

On May 4, 2005, Petitioner met with the NRC staff's Petition Review Board via telephone. The meeting gave the Petitioner and the licensees an opportunity to provide additional information and to clarify issues raised in the petition.

NRC staff sent a copy of the proposed Director's Decision to the Petitioner and to all DU munition licensees for comment on September 22, 2005. Petitioner responded with comments on October 19, 2005, and the licensees responded on October 12, 2005 (Army), and October 17, 2005 (Air Force). The comments are addressed in the Director's Decision.

The Director of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards has determined that insofar as Petitioner requests, NRC to require DU munition licensees to report incidents and overexposures to NRC, and to remediate facilities in accordance with current regulations, Petitioner's requests are granted. The Director also has decided to deny Petitioner's requests for modification and/or revocation of DU munitions licenses and for imposition of fines because Petitioner did not demonstrate that DU munitions licensees violated any NRC requirement, or that licensed activity creates conditions hazardous to the public health and safety or to the environment not already considered in licensing or addressed by NRC requirements. The reasons for these decisions are fully explained in the Director's Decision pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 (DD-05-08), the complete text of which is available in Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS) for inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, and via NRC's Web site (<http://www.nrc.gov>) on the World-Wide Web, under the "Public Involvement" icon. Accession Number for the Director's Decision is ML053460450.

A copy of the Director's Decision will be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, for the Commission's review, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.206 of the Commission's regulations. As provided for by this regulation, the Director's Decision will constitute the final action of the Commission 25 days after the date of the decision, unless the Commission, on its own motion, institutes a review of the Director's Decision in that time.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of December 2005.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Robert C. Pierson,

Acting Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Solicitation of Federal Civilian and Uniformed Service Personnel for Contributions to Private Voluntary Organizations—CFC Pilot Program for Department of Defense (DoD) Personnel Deployed Overseas

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) is implementing a Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) pilot program for a selected number of local campaigns. This pilot program will allow Department of Defense (DoD) personnel deployed to certain warfighting areas of responsibility the opportunity to expand their giving options to include the Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) activities and/or to the local charities located within the corresponding stateside campaign associated with their home base, in addition to the National and International charities. OPM will assess the results of the pilot program and determine, in coordination with the Office of the Secretary of Defense, if a permanent change should be made to CFC regulations and DoD Directive 5035-1.

DATES: The Office of Personnel Management's Office of CFC Operations (OCFCO) will work with the CFC Overseas (CFC-O) Campaign to determine the campaigns eligible to participate in the pilot program for the 2006 CFC no later than March 2006. The OCFCO will provide guidance to the selected campaigns on how to process receipts from the CFC-O Campaign under the pilot program no later than June 30, 2006. Affected deployed donors whose assigned home base is located within one of these selected campaigns will be provided the two additional options for contributing to the 2006 CFC described below beginning on September 1, 2006 and ending approximately December 15, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark W. Lambert, Senior Compliance Officer for the Office of CFC Operations, by telephone at (202) 606-2564; by Fax

at (202) 606-0902; or by e-mail at cfc@opm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: To address the loss of CFC contributions experienced by local organizations due to the deployment of DoD personnel to certain warfighting area of responsibility, DoD and OPM are implementing a one-year pilot program designed to allow those deployed DoD personnel to adjust their CFC contributions so the contributions can be designated to the donor's home base MWR activities and/or the local charities located within the corresponding stateside campaign associated with their home base, in addition to the National and International charities. In the absence of this pilot program, CFC regulations limit CFC designations from deployed DoD personnel to national/international charities, or to MWR activities overseas. This pilot program will expire at the end of the 2006 CFC or approximately December 15, 2006.

Under the pilot program, the CFC-O Campaign will offer affected deployed DoD personnel a modified CFC-O Campaign pledge card that will contain two added donation options, as follows:

(1) Each deployed employee may designate a portion of their donation to their home base's MWR activities; and/or, (2) Each deployed employee may elect to apply a portion of their total contribution as a designated contribution for distribution among all local charities located within the geographic area of their home base campaign.

OPM will evaluate the costs and logistics tied to the implementation of the new options in anticipation of making it a permanent change in the regulations.

These designated contributions will be distributed by CFC-O Campaign to the local campaign associated with the donor's home base as if the recipient campaign was a participating CFC-O Campaign charity, with the final payments in the distribution cycle sent early enough that the recipient campaign can include them in its final payment to charities. The home base campaign, in turn, will be directed to distribute these designated funds, at no cost, to all local charities in the same manner as local undesignated contributions (*i.e.* in the same proportion that each charity received designations in the local campaign). Home base campaigns will only need to adjust their distribution schedules and include these CFC-O Campaign contributions in their regular monthly/quarterly distributions to the local

charities and track as cash received. Under this pilot program, donated funds will be reduced by the proportionate share of the CFC-O Campaign expenses only prior to distribution to the home base campaigns. Consequently, the home base campaigns will be directed not to charge additional processing costs to distribute these donations, since there is no additional cost associated with either the collection or distribution of the funds.

DoD personnel deployed to the affected warfighting areas of responsibility, regardless of the length of time, are officially assigned to the command to which they have been deployed. Therefore, personnel deployed to the affected warfighting areas of responsibility during the campaign season can only be solicited by the campaign responsible for the geographic area of the command. The exception to this rule is when a Navy ship has been deployed but is still considered "homeported." In this instance, the local campaign should continue to solicit the donor stationed on the homeported ship.

CFC regulations at 5 CFR 950.701 state that the CFC-O Campaign is the only authorized campaign to solicit overseas areas during the CFC solicitation period in the fall. Under no circumstances may the stateside campaigns solicit personnel deployed overseas. Sanctions may result for violations of this rule.

Authority: E.O. 12353 (March 23, 1982), 47 FR 12785 (March 25, 1982). 3 CFR 1982 Comp., p. 139. E.O. 12404 (February 10, 1983), 48 FR 6685 (February 15, 1983), Pub. L. 100-202, and Pub. L. 102-393 (5 U.S.C. 1101 Note).

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Dan G. Blair,

Deputy Director.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) has submitted the following proposal(s) for the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval.

Summary of Proposal(s)

(1) *Collection title:* Applicant Background Survey.

(2) *Form(s) submitted:* EEO-44.

(3) *OMB Number:* 3220-NEW.

(4) *Expiration date of current OMB clearance:* None; new collection.

(5) *Type of request:* New collection.

(6) *Respondents:* Individuals or households.

(7) *Estimated annual number of respondents:* 800.

(8) *Total annual responses:* 800.

(9) *Total annual reporting hours:* 67.

(10) *Collection description:* To meet reporting requirements of Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEO) Management Directive 715, the RRB will collect information needed to properly assess the impact of its recruitment processes on the hiring of minorities, women, and people with disabilities.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS:

Copies of the forms and supporting documents can be obtained by contacting Charles Mierzwa, the agency clearance officer, at (312) 751-3363 or Charles.Mierzwa@RRB.GOV.

Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092 or Ronald.Hodapp@RRB.GOV and to the OMB Desk Officer for the RRB, at the Office of Management and Budget, Room 10230, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Charles Mierzwa,

Clearance Officer.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-53032; File No. SR-DTC-2005-19]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Depository Trust Company; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change Relating to Enhancements of the SMART/Track Service

December 28, 2005.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ notice is hereby given that on November 10, 2005, The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") and on December 22, 2005, amended the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared primarily by DTC. DTC filed

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act² and Rule 19b-4(f)(4) thereunder³ whereby the proposal was effective upon filing with the Commission. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The proposed rule change will enhance DTC's current SMART/Track service by adding an internet-based service called "SMART/Track for Buy-Ins." The service will ultimately replace DTC's existing buy-in service of its Participant Exchange ("PEX") system and will provide additional features to enable users to track buy-in notices throughout their lifecycle.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, DTC included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. DTC has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.⁴

A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

This rule filing will establish an internet-based buy-in service called "SMART/Track for Buy-Ins."⁵ The service will ultimately replace DTC's current PEX platform and will be more user-friendly. It will provide real-time open buy-in information and will enable automated communication, warehousing, and tracking of various types of buy-in related notices that are required by the rules of other self-

regulatory organizations ("SROs").⁶ Through the service, users will be able to create and transmit notices, view notices they have received or sent, make changes to notices (if not yet transmitted) according to stated parameters, reject notices as applicable, and search archives for active and aged notices. The service will have several features that will be implemented in phases.

The first phase of the service will be National Securities Clearing Corporation's ("NSCC") Continuous Net Settlement ("CNS") buy-in execution notices. DTC participants will send these notices to CNS through SMART/Track. After CNS validates these notices (e.g. verifies certain details of the buy-in execution such as the quantity of the buy-in) the DTC participant that was bought-in will be notified of its liability through a SMART/Track notice.⁷

The second phase of the service will permit DTC participants to transmit CNS Notices of Intent to Buy-In and Buy-In Orders for processing. CNS will send notification to the DTC participant being bought-in of its potential liability through SMART/Track.

Notices pertaining to buy-ins other than CNS buy-ins ("non-CNS buy-ins")⁸ and Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") closeouts will be the final function implemented on SMART/Track. Users will be able to create and transmit to the designated counterparty buy-in intent notices and MSRB closeout notices through SMART/Track. Users receiving such buy-in notice or MSRB closeout notice will be able to accept or reject the notice online. The sender of such buy-in notice or MSRB closeout notice will be able to cancel a notice in any status, extend the delivery date, or change the quantity or amount.

Once fully implemented, the buy-in service will feature:

- Online cancellation and updating of a buy-in notice.
- Search and sort capability on any field in a buy-in notice.
- Audit trail with a complete record of actions taken regarding a notice, including time, date, and the person taking the action.

- Links to DTC systems to indicate if the security subject to a buy-in is undergoing a dividend or corporate action or has been chilled for delivery.

- Automatic archiving.
- Seven-year record retention that is easily available online.

SMART/Track for Buy-Ins is subject to DTC's gross negligence and willful misconduct standard of liability for information services.

DTC believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of Section 17A of the Act⁹ and the rules and regulations thereunder because it will promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions by providing important and timely notifications relating to buy-ins between participant counterparties.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

DTC does not believe that the proposed rule change will have any impact or impose any burden on competition.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

Written comments relating to the proposed rule change have not yet been solicited or received. DTC will notify the Commission of any written comments received by DTC.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii)¹⁰ of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(4)¹¹ thereunder because it effects a change in an existing service of DTC that does not adversely affect the safeguarding of securities or funds in DTC's control or for which DTC is responsible and does not significantly affect DTC's or its participants' respective rights or obligations. At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and

² 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(4).

⁴ The Commission has modified the text of the summaries prepared by DTC.

⁵ See DTC Important Notice B#8796 (Nov. 23, 2005) available online at http://www.dtc.org/impNtc/ope/ope_8796.pdf. SMART/Track was established in 2004 and featured a stock loan recall notification service. Securities Exchange Act Release No. 50029 (July 15, 2004), 69 FR 43870 (July 22, 2004). DTC later added a corporate action liability notification service [Securities Exchange Act Release No. 50887 (Dec. 20, 2004), 69 FR 77802 (Dec. 28, 2004)] and an agency lending disclosure service to SMART/Track. [Securities Exchange Act Release No. 52104 (July 21, 2005), 70 FR 43730 (July 28, 2004)].

⁶ E.g., New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") Rule 282 and American Stock Exchange Rule 783. NYSE Rule 282 was recently amended to, among other things, eliminate the requirement for paper buy-in notices to permit electronic notices, including those from DTC. Securities Exchange Act Release No. 52842 (Nov. 28, 2005), 70 FR 72321 (Dec. 2, 2005) [File No. SR-NYSE-2005-50].

⁷ Any notice or report received by participants through SMART/Track will be in addition to (and will not replace) any notices or reports currently being distributed to participants by their SRO with respect to their buy-in activity.

⁸ Non-CNS buy-ins include NYSE, AMEX, NASD, and NSCC Balance-Order buy-ins.

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

¹¹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(4).

arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File No. SR-DTC-2005-19 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Nancy M. Morris, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-9303.

All submissions should refer to File No. SR-DTC-2005-19. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Section, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at DTC's principal office and on DTC's Web site at <http://www.dtc.org/impNtc/mor/index.html>. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submission should refer to File No. SR-DTC-2005-19 and should be submitted on or before January 30, 2006.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹²

Nancy M. Morris,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-53046; File No. SR-Phlx-2005-89]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change to Adopt an Account Fee

January 3, 2006.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on December 23, 2005, the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. ("Phlx" or "Exchange"), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Phlx. The Phlx has designated this proposal as one changing a fee imposed by the Phlx under Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder,⁴ which renders the proposal effective upon filing with the Commission. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend its schedule of fees to adopt a fee on member organizations of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per month, or any part of a month, for each account that a member organization maintains with the Exchange beyond the number of permits⁵ billed to that member organization (the "Fee"). The Exchange states that the Fee would be effective beginning on January 1, 2006.

Below is the text of the proposed rule change. Proposed new language is in *italics*.

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APPENDIX A

Permit Fees⁶

Order Flow Provider Permit Fee

a. Permits used only to submit orders to the equity, foreign currency options, or options trading floor (one floor only)—\$200.00 per month.

b. Permits used only to submit orders to more than one trading floor \$300.00 per month.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

⁵ See Phlx Rule 908.

Floor Broker, Specialist, or ROT (including RSQTs and SQTs) or Off-Floor Trader Permit Fee

a. First Permit—\$1,200.00 per month.
b. Additional permits for members in the same organization—\$1,000.00 per month.

Excess Permit Holders—\$200.00 per month.

Other Permit Holders⁷—\$200.00 per month.

Foreign Currency User Fee—\$1,200.00 monthly.

Application Fee—\$350.00.

Initiation Fee⁸—\$1,500.00.

Account Fee—\$50.00 monthly for each account beyond the number of permits billed to that member organization.

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⁶ The Exchange has established the date of notification of termination of a permit as the date that permit fee billing will cease. Additionally, a permit holder will be billed only one monthly permit fee if the holder transfers from one member organization to another previously unrelated member organization as a result of a merger, partial sale or other business combination during a monthly permit fee period in order to avoid double billing in the month the merger or business combination occurred. These policies will be effective as of February 2, 2004.

⁷ A permit holder or the member organization they solely qualify must apply for "other" status in writing to the Membership Services Department. This status requires that a permit holder or the member organization have no transaction activity for the applicable monthly billing period. Should a permit holder actively transact business during a particular month, the highest applicable monthly permit fee will apply to such permit holder and member organization for that monthly period. The "other" status only applies to permit holders who solely qualify their member organization. These policies will be effective as of February 2, 2004.

⁸ This fee is imposed on a member upon election, on a non-member FCO participant upon the purchase of an FCO participation, and on persons or entities registering as approved lessors.

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II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

¹² 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The Exchange states that the purpose of the proposed rule change is to encourage member organizations to discontinue holding inactive trading accounts, which the Exchange believes should, in turn, eliminate the need to expend resources to create additional account fields. Also, the Exchange states that staff time allocated to maintaining account records should be reduced, which should allow for a more efficient use of staff resources.

The Phlx states that its member organizations currently have the option to request an unlimited number of trading accounts through the Exchange's Membership Services Department. In many instances, multiple accounts are assigned at the member organization's request to allow them to track their own activity using the Exchange's account numbers.⁶ The Exchange states that in many cases, however, accounts are not released back to it when they are no longer required by the member organization or when a member organization may have requested more accounts than needed. The Exchange states that this practice limits the number of available accounts and adds to increased staff time to maintain accurate records of active accounts and the retiring of inactive accounts.

With this proposed rule change, member organizations may have, without charge, the number of accounts equal to the number of permits billed to that member organization. Any additional accounts requested by the member organization would be \$50.00 per month, or any part thereof, per account. Each account has 22 suffixes or sub-accounts.⁷ The Exchange states that there will be no additional charge for suffixes assigned within the same account.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal to amend its schedule of fees is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act⁸ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4) of the Act⁹ in particular, in that it is an equitable

allocation of reasonable fees among the Phlx's members.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants or Others

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing proposed rule change has been designated as a fee change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act¹⁰ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)¹¹ thereunder, because it establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge imposed by the Exchange. Accordingly, the proposal will take effect upon filing with the Commission. At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule change the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-Phlx-2005-89 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Nancy M. Morris, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-0609.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR\Phlx-2005-89. This file

number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Phlx. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-Phlx-2005-89 and should be submitted on or before January 30, 2006.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹²

Nancy M. Morris,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5269]

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: "Girodet: Romantic Rebel"

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, *et seq.*; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, *et seq.*), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, Delegation of Authority No. 236 of October 19, 1999, as amended, and Delegation of Authority No. 257 of April 15, 2003 [68 FR 19875], I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition "Girodet: Romantic Rebel", imported from abroad

⁶ The Phlx states that this proposed rule change does not limit the number of accounts a member organization may request.

⁷ For example, account number 202 cna actually be used as accounts 202-A, 202-B, etc.

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

¹¹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

¹² 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL, from on or about February 8, 2006, to on or about April 30, 2006, and at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY, from on or about May 22, 2006, to on or about August 27, 2006, and at possible additional venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. Public Notice of these Determinations is ordered to be published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, including a list of the exhibit objects, contact Julianne Simpson, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202/453-8049). The address is U.S. Department of State, SA-44, 301 4th Street, SW., Room 700, Washington, DC 20547-0001.

Dated: January 3, 2006.

C. Miller Crouch,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

Notice of Delays in Processing of Special Permit Applications

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: List of application delayed more than 180 days.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5117(c), PHMSA is publishing the following list of special permit applications that have been in process for 180 days or more. The reason(s) for delay and the expected completion date for action on each application is provided in association with each identified application.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann Mazzullo, Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals, Pipeline

and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001, (202) 366-4535.

Key to "Reason for Delay"

1. Awaiting additional information from applicant.
2. Extensive public comment under review.
3. Application is technically complex and is of significant impact or precedent-setting and requires extensive analysis.
4. Staff review delayed by other priority issues or volume of special permit applications.

Meaning of Application Number Suffixes

- N—New application.
M—Modification request.
X—Renewal.
PM—Party to application with modification request.

Dated: Issued in Washington, DC, on January 3, 2006.

R. Ryan Posten,

Chief, Special Permits Program, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety, Special Permits & Approvals.

Application No.	Applicant	Reason for delay	Estimated date of completion
New Special Permit Applications			
13281-N	The Dow Chemical Company, Midland, MI	4	01-31-2006
13266-N	Luxfer Gas Cylinder Riverside, CA	4	01-31-2006
13309-N	OPW Engineered Systems, Lebanon, OH	4	01-31-2006
13347-N	Amvac Chemical Corporation, Los Angeles, CA	4	01-31-2006
13341-N	National Propane Gas Association, Washington, DC	3	01-31-2006
13957-N	T.L.C.C.I, Inc. Franklin, TN	4	02-28-2006
14038-N	Dow Chemical Company, Midland, MI	1	01-31-2006
14141-N	Nalco Company, Naperville, IL	4	01-31-2006
14163-N	Air Liquide America L.P., Houston, TX	4	01-31-2006
14205-N	The Clorox Company, Pleasanton, CA	4	02-28-2006
14197-N	GATX Rail Corporation, Chicago, IL	4	02-28-2006
14199-N	RACCA, Plymouth, MA	4	02-28-2006
14190-N	Cordis Corporation, Miami Lakes, FL	4	01-31-2006
14189-N	PPG Industries, Inc., Pittsburgh, PA	4	01-31-2006
14185-N	U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC	4	01-31-2006
14184-N	Global Refrigerants, Inc., Denver, CO	4	01-31-2006
14178-N	Bridger Fire Inc., Bozeman, MT	4	01-31-2006
14167-N	Trinityrail, Dallas, TX	4	01-31-2006
14223-N	Technical Concepts, Mundelein, IL	4	02-28-2006
14212-N	Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc., North Andover, MA	4	02-28-2006
14209-N	ABB Power Technologies AB, Alamo, TN	4	02-28-2006
14215-N	U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC	4	02-28-2006
14221-N	U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC	4	02-28-2006
14218-N	Air Logistics of Alaska, Inc., Fairbanks, AK	4	01-31-2006
14151-N	Chevron Texaco, Houston, TX	4	01-31-2006
14138-N	INO Therapeutics, Inc., Port Allen, LA	4	01-31-2006
13999-N	Kompozit-Praha s.r.o., Dysina u Plzne, Czech Republic, CZ	4	01-31-2006
13582-N	Linde Gas LLC (Linde), Independence, OH	4	01-31-2006
13302-N	FIBA Technologies, Inc., Westboro, MA	4	01-31-2006
13346-N	Stand-By-Systems, Inc., Dallas, TX	1	01-31-2006
13563-N	Applied Companies, Valencia, CA	4	01-31-2006

Application No.	Applicant	Reason for delay	Estimated date of completion
Modification to Special Permits			
7277-M	Structural Composites Industries, Pomona, CA	4	01-31-2006
11924-M	Wrangler Corporation, Auburn, ME	4	02-28-2006
12929-M	Matheson Tri-Gas, East Rutherford, NJ	4	02-28-2006
11321-M	E.I. Du Pont, Wilmington, DE	4	01-31-2006
13484-M	Air Liquide Industrial U.S. LP (formerly: Air Liquide America L.P.), Houston, TX	4	02-28-2006
11917-M	ITW Sexton, Decatur, AL	4	02-28-2006
13192-M	Onyx Environmental Services, L.L.C., Flanders, NJ	4	01-31-2006
11321-M	E.I. Du Pont, Wilmington, DE	4	01-31-2006
12412-M	Los Angeles Chemical Company, South Gate, CA	4	01-31-2006
12412-M	Hawkins, Inc., Minneapolis, MN	3, 4	01-31-2006
11903-M	Comptank Corporation, Bothwell, ON	4	01-31-2006
13229-M	Matheson Tri-Gas, East Rutherford, NJ	4	01-31-2006
13327-M	Hawk FRP LLC, Ardmore, OK	1	01-31-2006
13488-M	FABER INDUSTRIES SPA, (U.S. Agent: Kaplan Industries, Maple Shade, NJ)	4	01-31-2006
12284-M	The American Traffic Safety Services Assn. (ATSSA), Fredericksburg, VA	1	01-31-2006
10319-M	Amtrol, Inc., West Warwick, RI	4	01-31-2006
Modification to Special Permits			
6263-M	Amtrol, Inc., West Warwick, RI	4	01-31-2006
10019-M	Structural Composites Industries, Pomona, CA	4	01-31-2006
10915-M	Luxfer Gas Cylinders (Composite Cylinder Division), Riverside, CA	1	01-31-2006
7280-M	Department of Defense, Ft. Eustis, VA	4	01-31-2006
11579-M	Dyno Nobel, Inc., Salt Lake City, UT	4	01-31-2006
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8162-M	Structural Composites Industries, Pomona, CA	4	01-31-2006
8718-M	Structural Composites Industries, Pomona, CA	4	01-31-2006

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Corrections

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

17 CFR Part 4

RIN 3038-AC25

Commodity Pool Operator Electronic Filing of Annual Reports

Correction

In proposed rule document 05-23965 beginning on page 74240 in the issue of Thursday, December 15, 2005, make the following corrections:

1. On page 74241, in the first column, in the first paragraph, in the ninth line, “report; (iii) to” should read “report; and (iii) to”.

2. On the same page, in the same column, in the second paragraph, in the seventh line, “would: explicitly” should read “would: (i) Explicitly”.

3. On the same page, in the same column, in the same paragraph, in the 13th line, “principles; clarify that” should read “principles; (ii) clarify that”.

4. On the same page, in the same column, in the same paragraph, in the same line, “COPs” should read “CPOs”.

5. On the same page, in the same column, in the same paragraph, in the 16th line, “NFA; clarify” should read “NFA; (iii) clarify”.

6. On the same page, in the same column, in the same paragraph, in the 22nd line, “person; and require” should read “person; and (iv) require”.

7. On the same page, in the same column, under the heading **DATES**, in the second line, “January 17, 2005” should read “January 17, 2006”.

8. On the same page, in the second column, in the first full paragraph, in the seventh line, “to” should read “or”.

9. On the same page, in the same column, in the same paragraph, in the ninth line, “COP” should read “CPO”.

10. On the same page, in the same column, in the second full paragraph, in the eighth line, “compete” should read “complete”.

11. On the same page, in the third column, in the first full paragraph, in the fourth line from the bottom, “COPs” should read “CPOs”.

12. On page 74242, in the second column, in the second full paragraph, in the second line, “field” should read “filed”.

13. On page 74243, in the first column, in the second full paragraph, in the first line, “proposed” should read “proposes”.

14. On the same page, in the second column, in the second full paragraph, in the 15th line, “perform” should read “perform”.

§4.7 [Corrected]

15. On page 74245, in the first column, in § 4.7 (b)(3), in the second line, “in” should read “of”.

§4.22 [Corrected]

16. On the same page, in the second column, in § 4.22 (c), in the first paragraph, in the 11th line, “an” should read “any”.

17. On the same page, in the same column, in § 4.22 (d), in the first line, “statement” should read “statements”.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[R04-OAR-2005-AL-0001-200520a; FRL-8014-9]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Alabama; Nitrogen Oxides Budget and Allowance Trading Program, Phase II

Correction

In rule document 05-24474 beginning on page 76694 in the issue of Wednesday, December 28, 2005, make the following correction:

On page 76694, in the third column, in the **ACTION:** line, “Final rule” should read “Direct final rule”.

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Part II

The President

**Memorandum of December 15, 2005—
Assignment of Functions Under Section
1306 of Public Law 107-314**

**Presidential Determination No. 2006-6 of
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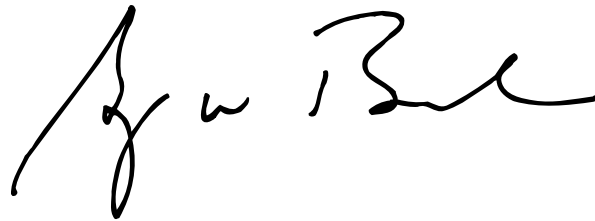
The President

Assignment of Functions Under Section 1306 of Public Law 107–314

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including section 301 of title 3, United States Code, I hereby assign to you the functions of the President under section 1306 of the Bob Stump National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003 (Public Law 107–314)(22 U.S.C. 5952 note), as continued in effect by subsequent law, including section 116 of the Continuing Resolution for Fiscal Year 2006 (Public Law 109–77), as amended.

You are authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the **Federal Register**.



THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, December 15, 2005.

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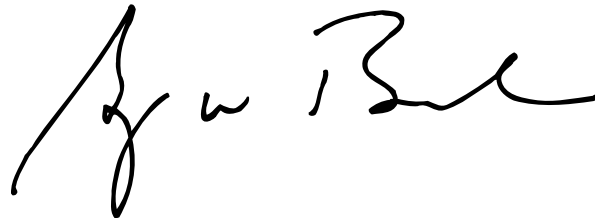
Presidential Determination No. 2006-6 of December 22, 2005

Waiver of Conditions on Obligation and Expenditure of Funds for Planning, Design, and Construction of a Chemical Weapons Destruction Facility in Russia for Calendar Year 2006

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

Consistent with the authority vested in me by section 1303 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005 (Public Law 108-375) (the "Act"), I hereby certify that waiving the conditions described in section 1305 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (Public Law 106-65), as amended, is important to the national security interests of the United States, and include herein, for submission to the Congress, the statement, justification, and plan described in section 1303 of the Act. This waiver shall apply for calendar year 2006.

You are authorized and directed to transmit this certification, including the statement, justification, and plan, to the Congress and to arrange for the publication of this certification in the **Federal Register**.



THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, December 22, 2005.

Presidential Documents

Presidential Determination No. 2006-8 of December 30, 2005

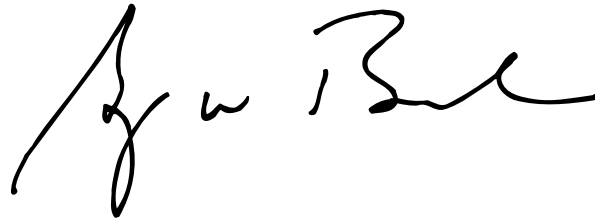
Drawdown to Provide Disaster Relief Assistance for Pakistan Under Section 506(a)(2) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as Amended

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 506(a)(2) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, 22 U.S.C. 2318(a)(2)(the “Act”), I hereby determine that it is in the national interest of the United States to draw down articles and services from the inventory and resources of the Department of Defense for the purpose of providing international disaster relief assistance to Pakistan.

I therefore direct the drawdown of up to \$30 million of defense articles and services from the inventory and resources of the Department of Defense for Pakistan for the purposes and under the authorities of chapter 9 of part I of the Act, relating to international disaster assistance.

The Secretary of State is authorized and directed to report this determination to the Congress and to arrange for its publication in the **Federal Register**.



THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, December 30, 2005.

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